

ANNO XXVII.

HENRICI

VIII.

ACTES MADE IN THE
 session of this present parli-
 ament holden upon prorogacion at
 westm, the .iiii. date of februarye,
 in the .xxvii. yere of the regne
 of our moste grād soueraigne lord
 kyng HENRI the. VIII. and
 there continued and kepte till
 the. XIII. day of April
 next ensuing. To
 the honour of
 God, and
 for the
 comon weale and
 profite of this
 realme.

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An acte for repairing and amending of the towne of Gloucester,
Nottingham, Northampton, and other. Cap. i.

Fo so much as diuers and many houses messuages and tene-
mentes of habitacions in the towne of Nottingham, Shrewes-
bury, Ludlow, Bridgenorth, Quinborough, Northampton
and Gloucester, now are, and of longe time have bene in great
ruine and decaye, and speciallie in the principall and chiefe
streets there being, in the whiche chiefe streets in times pas-
sed haue bene beautifull dwelling houses, there well inhabited, whiche at
this day inuche parte therof is desolate, and void groundes, with pittes,
fellers, and vaukes, lye open and vncouered, very perillous for people
to go by in the night, without leoperdie of life: whiche decayes are to the
great impoucrishing and hinderance of the same townes. For the reme-
die wherof, it may please the kinge our souerayne lord, by the assent of his
lordes spirituall and temporall, and the commons in this present parlia-
ment assenbled, and by the auctorite of the same, it may be enacted, that if
the owner or owners of anye such house and decayed houses or groundes
within the precinct of the said townes of Nottingham, Shrewesbury, Lud-
low, Gloucester, Bridgenorth, Quinborough, and Northampton, within
iii. yerres next after proclamation therof be made by the mayres, iurattes,
and bayliffes of anye of the said townes, by what name or names soeuer
they be incorporated, in and vpon anye such vacante or decayed houses
and groundes in anye such townes, as is aforesaid, and according to this
acte do not entre and sufficiently reedifie and builde the same decayed hou-
ses or house groundes, that then it shall be lesul to the lord, of whom such
vacant groundes or decayed houses ben or shalbe holden, to entere immedi-
ately after the said iii. yerres expired, and to haue the same groundes to the
and their heyres or successors to, for ever. So that the said lordes do suffici-
ently reedifie and builde the same vacante or house groundes, wherein he or
they may entere by this acte, within three yerres next and immediately fol-
lowinge the determination of the former iii. yerres, in the whiche the owners
ought to haue entred reedified and builded the same, by virtue of this act.
And if any lordes as may entere by this acte do not entere, and well and suf-
ficiently reedifie and builde the same house and decayed houses and groundes
within the said iii. yerres to them limited by this act, that then it shalbe lesul
to the mayres, iurattes, bayliffes, and commonaltes of the said townes, by
what name or names soeuer they be incorporated, and their successors for
the time being immediately after the said iii. yerres expired, to entere intoe
the same house or decayed groundes or houses, and the same groundes
or groundes to hold and reueine without interruption to them or their suc-
cessors for ever, clerely discharged of all rentes going out of the same, as
well as if the lord or lordes, of whome such ground or groundes be hol-
den, as all other, so that alwayes the same mayres, iurattes, bayliffes, or

comminalte of their successours for the time being, do well and sufficiently reedifie and build the same grounde or groundes, wherein they may so entre by this act, within thre yerres next & immediately folowing the determination of the former thre yerres, in the which the aforesaid lordes, of whom such ground or groundes were holden, shuld or ought to haue entred reedified and builded the same. And in case the said maires sheriffes bailiffes and comminaltee or theyr successours for the time being, do not entre & sufficiently reedifie and build the same voyde or decayed houses or groundes, in forme aforesayd, within the sayd terme of thre yerres, according to this act, that then it shalbe lefull to the first owner and owners of suche decayed and voyde groundes, theyr heires or successours immediately after the same thre yerres expired, in to the same grounde and groundes to reentre, and them to reteyne to them theyr heires or successours, as in their first estate, anie thing in this acte to the contrary notwithstandinge.

It is ordeyned alwaies that this act nor any thing therein conteyned, be in any wise prejudiciall or hurtfull to anie person or persons, being at the tyme of the sayd proclamacion made vnder the age of one and twenty yerres, or to anie woman couerte baron, or any person or persons being in prison or beyond the sea in the kinges warres or his other lawfull affayres, durynge suche time as suche person or persons shalbe within age, couert baron, in prison or beyond the sea, so that the same person or persons after he or they be come to full age, or being not couerte baron, out of prison, and come againe within this realme, within thre yerres next ensuyng do reedifie the same houses so decayed.

An act for counterfaying of the signe, signet, or priute seale of our soueraygne lord the king, to be from hens forth taken and adjudged hyghe treason. Cap. ii.



As much as by the lawes of this realm small punishment hath ben hitherto provided for forgering and counterfaying of the kinges signe manuel, or priute signet, By reason wherof divers light & evil disposed persons now of late haue taken the more boldnes & courage to comit such offences, to the great audacitie & boldnes of such like offenders. For remedy wherof, be it enacted by authoritee of this present parliament, that if any person or persones at any time hereafter falsly forge and counterfay the kinges signe manuel, priute signet, or priute seale, that then euery such offence shalbe deemed and adjudged hyghe treason, and the offenders therein, their counsellours, procurours aidours and abettours, being convict of any such offence according to the lawes of this Realme, shalbe deemed & adjudged traitours against the king and the realme, & shal suffer and haue such paynes of death, forfeiture of landes goods and cattel, and also lose the priuilege of all forgeries, as in cases of hyghe treason it is ordeyned.

An acte takyng away exactions taken by the Mayre and
commynalte of the towne of Hulle. Cap. iii.



Here vpon complaynte made in this present parlyament
by the kynges pooze subiectes, and namely the pooze fysher
men, inhabytyng vppon the costes of the Sea, within the
counties of Northfolke and Suffolke, which vse comynly
to conducte and conuey theyr hearpyng spottes and othe
r fysh to the towne of Kyngstone vppon Hulle, there to be
buttered and solde to other the kynges subiectes, wyllynge to by the same.
It dothe euidently and playnely appere, that suche greatte and intol
erable exactions, customes, and tolles be demaunded leuyed and taken of
them for theyr saide hearpyng and other fyshes, by the rulers and officers of
the saide towne, that vnles som spedy remedy be for them prouided in that
behalf, a great nombze of them shall be dytuen of necessitye to absent them
selues from their saide markette of olde tyme continued and holden at the
said towne, where most commonly afore tyme a great nombze of the kynges
subiectes and namely of the north parties of this realme, haue vsed to pro
uide theym selfe of their hearpyng and fysh: whiche synallye shall be not
only the vtter impouerishyng and vndoyng of the saide pooze fyshermen
inhabytyng within the saide counties of North. and Suff. but also a great
incumberaunce to all suche the kynges subiectes of the saide north parties,
as afore tyme comonly haue vsed to prouide their hearpyng and fysh at the
said towne, for the maintenance of their householdes. For the spedy reforma
cion wherof, be it enacted by auctorite of this present parlyament, that the
Mayre of the said towne of Kyngston vppon Hull, and his successours, and
all other officers and ministers of and within the same towne, shall from
hensforth permitte and suffer all thynhabitantcs of the saide counties of
North. and Suff. or from any other places thither repayyng with vitayle at
all tymes for euer moze betwene the feast of all sayntes and Channuncia
tion of our Lady, lyberally and frely without interruption or impediment
to conducte and byyng the saide hearpynges and other fysh to the saide
towne, and there to vtter and sel the same as wel by water as by land, by re
taille or in grosse, to whom soeuer and whan so euer within the same time be
foze expessed, they or any of them shall thinke most expedient for their owne
profite and commoditee, without any maner of toll, custome, imposition,
or other exaction or charge to be demaunded, leuyed, or taken of the seller
or byer of the same by the saide Mayre, or any other officer or minister of or
within the said towne or port of the same, for the said hearing or other fysh,
or for the shippes or other vessailles, wherin the same hearpyng or fysh shall
be brought or conducted, except only suche somes of money, as hereafter
ensuey, that is to saye, of euery shippe thither repayyng with hearpynges
or other fysh, as is afore saide, beyng of the burden of. xx. tunne, or vnder
and not aboue, fyue shyllpynges: And of euery shippe thither repayyng
with

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with hearthynges oꝛ other fysh, beyng aboute the ful burthen of. iiii. tunne, (w^{ch} Myllnynges. viii. d. and not above. And that the said mayre, and all other of-
fycers and minystrs of oꝛ within the saide towne and lybertees of the same
foꝛ the tyme beyng, shall from hencefoꝛthe well and favourably order and
intreate the said inhabitauntres of Sul. and Drot. and all other as is afoꝛe-
saide, repayng to the saide towne with hearthyng fysh oꝛ other bycayles,
as is befoꝛe expꝛessed, without any extreme oꝛ unlawfull serchyng viewyng
oꝛ setting of unreasonable pꝛices of the saide hearthyng fysh oꝛ other by-
cayles: And without frustrate oꝛ wilful delay oꝛ tracting of tyme in the said
viewyng serchyng oꝛ setting of the same pꝛices, oꝛ any other maner of sat-
tacion oꝛ wꝛongfull veracion: but shall order vse and intreate the same in-
habitauntres discretely and charitably in every behalfe as they ought to be.
And in case the saide mayre foꝛ the tyme beyng, oꝛ any other officer oꝛ mini-
ster, of oꝛ within the saide towne oꝛ lybertee of the same, do hereafter foꝛ any
cause befoꝛe expꝛessed, exacte, leuie, oꝛ take of any of the saide inhabitaun-
tes, oꝛ any other the kynges subiectes, any moꝛe oꝛ greater somes than is
befoꝛe inencioned, oꝛ do in any maner of wyse offende hereafter in any other
article oꝛ poynt conteyned in this pꝛesent acte, contrary to the true meaning
tenour and effecte of the same, that then vpon complaynte therof made by
the party greued in that behalfe, vnto the lord Chauncellour of Englands
lord Tresorer, lord president, and other the lordes of the kynges most ho-
norable counsaile, foꝛ the tyme beyng, it shall oꝛ maye appere to them, oꝛ to
six of them at the leaste, wherof the saide lord chauncellour to be one, that
the saide Mayre other officer oꝛ minister of, oꝛ within the saide towne oꝛ li-
berties of the same, hath so offended in any article oꝛ poynt befoꝛe expꝛessed,
contrary to the fourme and effecte of this pꝛesent acte, and so adiudged and
decreeed by the saide lordes, oꝛ by thꝛee of them at the leaste, wherof the saide
lord Chauncellour to be one, that then the said mayre officer oꝛ other mini-
ster so offendyng, shall lose and forsaite foꝛ every suche offence. x. li. wherof
the one halfe to be to our said soueraigne lord the kyng and his heires, and
thoether halfe to the saide partie greued that shall oꝛ wil sue foꝛ the same by
action of det. by l. plaint oꝛ informacion in any of the kynges courtes, wherin
no wager of lawe esoyne oꝛ protection shall be allowed: And the same sute to
be taken commenced and tried within any shire of this realme, at the plea-
sure of him that shall pursue the same, any foꝛeine plee oꝛ other matter to the
contrary therof in any wise not withstandyng.

¶ Pꝛouided that no maner person oꝛ persons, other than suche as ben free
burgessys of the said towne of Hulle, shall at any tyme hereafter, by auctoꝛi-
tee of this acte, sell within the same towne any fysh oꝛ hearthyng in small and
lyttel nownbꝛes and peces by retayle, but may and shall sell salted fysh ha-
berden oꝛ stockefish by the hundred halfe hundred quartern oꝛ halfequar-
terne of any of them, and whyte herpyng by the barell, halfebarell, oꝛ by fyꝛe
kyn at the least, and redde hearthyng and spottes by the sade, this act oꝛ any
thyng therein expꝛessed to the contrary not withstandyng.

An acte declaring the order and punishment of pirates and
robbers on the sea. Cap. iiii.



Where pyrates, theues, robbers and murderers vpon the sea
many times escape unpunished, because the trial of their of-
fences hath heretofore be ordered befoze the admiral or his
lieutenant or comissary after the course of the ciuile lawes,
the nature wherof is, that befoze any iudgement of death shoulde
be geuen against the offenders, eyther they muste playnely
confesse theyr offences (which they wil neuer do without torture, or paynes
or els their offences be so playne and directly proued by witnesse iudifferēt
such as saw their offences committed, which can not be gotten but by chaunce
at few times, by cause suche offenders commit theyr offences vpon the Sea
and at manie tymes murder and kil such persons being in the shipp, or bote
where they committe theyr offences, which shoulde beare witnesse agaynst
them in that behalfe: and also suche as shoulde beare witnes be commonlye
maryners and shipmen, whiche for the most part cannot be gotten ne had
alwaies redie to testifie such offences, bicause of their ofte viages and pas-
sages in the seas without longe taryenge and protraction of time & greate
costes and charges as well of the kinges highnes as of such as would pur-
sue such offenders. For reformation wherof be it enacted, by auctoritee of
this present parlyament, that all suche offences don in or vpon the sea, or in
any other haven riuer or creeke, where the admiral or admirall es pretende
to haue iurisdiction, shalbe enquired tried herde and determined in suche
shippes and places in the realme, as shalbe limited by the kinges commis-
sion to be directed for the same, in lyke fourme and condiscion as if such of-
fences had ben done vpon the lande. And that suche commissions shal be
had vnder the kinges great seale, directed to the lord admiral or admiral-
les, or to his or their lieutenaut deputie or deputies, and to thre or foure
such other substanciall persones as shal be named by the lord Chauncel-
lour for the time beyng, as often as neede shal requyre, to here & determine
such offences after the common course of the lawes of the lande, vied for fe-
lonies done and committed within the realme.

And be it enacted by the auctoritee aforesaid, that such persons, to whom
such commissions shalbe directed, or iii. of them at the least, shal haue full
power and auctoritee to enquire of suche offences by the othes of xii. good
and lawfull men inhabited in the shippe limited in theyr commission, in su-
che like maner and fourme, as if such offences had be committed vpon the
land within the same shire: and that euery inditement founde and presented
befoze such commissioners of any felonies robberies murders or manslaugh-
ters done vpon the seas, or in or vpon any other haven riuer or creeke, shalbe
good and effectuell in the law. And if any person or persones happen to be
indited for anye such offence, done or hereafter to be done vpon the seas, or

in any other places aboue limited: that then suche oꝛder pꝛoces iudgement and execution shal be vsed hadde done and made to and against euery such persone and persones so beyng indited, as agaynst felons and murderers foꝛ murder oꝛ felony done vpon the lande, as by the lawes of the realme is accustomed. And that the tryall of suche offence, if it be denyed by the offenders, shal be had by twelue men inhabited in the shire lymitted within suche commission, which shalbe directed as is aforesaide, and no challenge to be had foꝛ the hundred. And suche as shal be conuicte of any suche offence by verdyte confession oꝛ pꝛoces, by auctoritee of any such commission, shall haue and suffre suche paynes of deathe, losses of landes goodes and cattelles, as if they had bene conuicte of any felonies oꝛ murders done vpon the landes.

And be it enacted by auctoritee aforesaide, that foꝛ robberies felonies & murders done vpon the sees, oꝛ in any other places aboue reherfed, the offenders shall not be admitted to haue the benefite of their clergie, but be utterly excluded therof, and also of the priuilege of any sapuaty.

Provided alway that this act extende not to be pꝛeudiciall oꝛ hurtfull to any person oꝛ persons foꝛ takyng any vitayles, gabels, ropes, ankers, oꝛ sayles, whiche any suche person oꝛ persons compelled by necessitee taketh of oꝛ in any other shyppe, whiche may conveniently spare the same: So that the same person oꝛ persons paie out of hande foꝛ the same vitayle, gabels, ropes, ankers, oꝛ sayles, money oꝛ money worthe to the value of the thyng so taken, oꝛ deliuer foꝛ the same a sufficiente bylle obligatorie, to be payd in foure folowyng, that is to say, pf the takyng of the same thynges be on this side the straites of Harrok, tha to be payd within. iiii. monethes: And if it be beyonde the saide straites of Harrok, than to be payed within xii. monethes nexte ensuyng the makyng of suche billes: And that the makers of suche billes well and truly paye the same dette at the daye to be lymitted within the said billes.

Provided alway that whan so euer any such commission foꝛ the punishment of the offences aforesaide, shal be directed oꝛ sent to any place within the iurisdiction of the five portes, that then euery suche commission shalbe directed vnto the lord warden of the same portes foꝛ the tyme beyng, oꝛ to his deputie, and vnto thzee oꝛ foure suche other persone oꝛ persones, as the lord Chauncellour foꝛ the tyme beyng, shall name and appoynte: any thyng in this pꝛesent acte to the contrary thereof in any wyle not withstanding.

Provided also, that whan so euer any commission shal be directed in to the fyue portes, foꝛ the inquisition and trialles of any the offences expꝛessed in this acte: that euery suche inquisition and tryall to be had by vertue of such commission, shalbe made and had by the inhabitants in the said fyue portes, oꝛ the membꝛes of the same any thyng in this acte to the contrary thereof notwithstanding.

An acte for makinge Justices of peace in Chester and
wales. Capitulo. v.

The kinges byghnes consideringe the manyfolde robberies
murders thestes trespasses tiotes routes embraceries main-
tenaunces oppressions ruptures of his peace and many other
malfaites, which ben dayly practised perpetrated committed
and done within his counties and county palantes of Che-
ster & Flint Here in wales, adioyning to the sayd countie of
Chester, & also in his counties of Anglice, other wise called Anglesey, Kaper-
neruan, & Weroneth within his principalltee of Northwales: And also in
his counties of Cardigan, Kapermerthen, Dembroke, & Glamorgan in southe
wales, by reason that common iustice hath not bene indifferently ministred
there, like and in such fourme as it is in other places of this his realme: By
reason wherof the said murders, robberies, thestes, trespasses, and bjecting
of the peace haue remained unpunished, to the great animation of evil do-
ers in the same counties. For redresse and amputation whereof, and to the
entent that one order of ministring of his laws shuld be had obserued and
held in the same, as in other places of this realme of England is had and
held: It is ordeyned & enacted by the king our soueraygne lord, & the lordes
spirituall and tempozal, and the commons in this present parliament
assembled, and by thauctozite of the same, that the lord Chauncellour of
England, or the lord keeper of the great seale for the time being, from time
to time and at all times shall haue full power and auctozite by his dys-
cretion, to nominate & appointe Justicers of peace, Justicers of the Quo-
rum & iusticers of gaole deliuerie in the said counties of Chester, Flint, An-
glesey, Kaperneruan, Weroneth, Cardigan, Kapermerthen, Dembroke,
and Glamorgan, by commission vnder the kinges great seale, whiche shal
haue full power and auctozite to enquire here and determine, all maner
thing and thinges enquirable presentable or determinable before iusticers
of peace, iusticers of Quorum, and iusticers of gaole deliuerie in other shires
of this realme of England, by force or vertue of any statute or statutes
made and to be made, or by the course of the common lawes of this realme:
And that the sayd Justicers of peace, Justicers of quorum, and Justicers
of gaole deliuerie, so to be named and appointed by the sayd lord Cham-
cellour, or lord keeper of the great seale, & every of the, shall haue the power
and auctozite within the said counties of Chester, Flint, Anglesey, Kaper-
neruan, Weroneth, Cardigan, Kapermerthen, Dembroke, and Glamorgan
to doo vble and execute euery thinge & thinges as other Justicers of peace,
quorum, and gaole deliuerie, haue within any other of the shires of this
realme of Englande: And also shall be sworne adicted and oblyged to
the keepinge of thes, sessiones of the peace, and to the due execution of
all and singular statutes, and ordeynances made and to be made in
the maner and fourme, and vnder the paynes and penalties, as Justy-
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ters of peace, Quoerum, and Gaole deliuerer, in other shires of this realme of Englande ben and shalbe bounden and obliged, any acte statute, prescription, vsage custome, lybertee, or priuilege hadde made accustomed or vbled to the contrary not withstanding.

¶ And it is further enacted by the auctorite aforesaid, that the extretes of the issues fines and amerciamentes, taxed, sette, loste, or forsayted by or before suche Justices of peace, Quoerum, and gaole deliuerer, in the sayd countie of Chester and Flint, shalbe returned and certified into the eschequer of Chester, before the kinges Chamberlayne there. And that the extretes of the issues fines and amerciamentes, taxed, sette, loste, or forsayted by or before the Justices of peace, Quoerum, and gaole deliuerer, in the said countie of Angleser, Kapermerthen, and Weterneoth, and enery of them, shalbe returned and certified into the kinges eschequer at Kapermerthen, to and before the kinges Chamberlayne of Northwales. And that the extretes of the issues fines and amerciamentes, taxed, sette, loste, or forsayted by or before the Justices of peace, Quoerum, and gaole deliuerer in the said countie of Kapermerthen, and Cardigan, and enery of them, shalbe returned and certified into the kinges eschequer at Kapermerthen to and before the kinges Chamberlayne of Southwales. And that the extretes of the issues fines and amerciamentes, taxed, sette, loste, or forsayted by or before the Justices of peace, Quoerum, and gaole deliuerer, in the countie of Pembroke shalbe returned and certified into the kinges eschequer at Westminster.

¶ And that the extretes of the issues fines and amerciamentes, taxed, sette, loste, or forsayted by or before the Justices of peace, Quoerum, and gaole deliuerer in the said countie of Glamorgan, shalbe returned and certified into the kinges eschequer at Kaperdist. And that the sayd extretes of the issues fines and amerciamentes, certified & returned into enery of the sayd eschequers, shalbe indented in such like manner and forme, as is vbled in the kinges eschequer at Westminster. And that the sayd Justices of peace and Quoerum or gaole deliuerer, in enery of the sayd shires, shal directe such like process or extretes indented, with the extretes certified into the said eschequers, to the shire of enery of the sayd countie, to the leueyn and gathering of the said issues fines and amerciamentes in such like manner and forme as is vbled by the Justices of peace, Quoerum, and gaole deliuerer in enery of the shires within this realme of Englande. And that enery the office of such like process or extretes shalbe there accompyssed by the officers of the said eschequers of and to the said issues fines and amerciamentes upon the extretes so certified in such like manner and forme, as is vbled in the kinges eschequer at Westminster.

¶ And it is enacted by the auctorite aforesaid, that the sayd Justices of peace and clerkes of the peace, in the sayd countie of Angleser, Kapermerthen, Weterneoth, Cardigan, Kapermerthen, Pembroke, and Glamorgan, and enery of them, shalbe paid and allowed of the sayd issues fines and amerciamentes in the shires, shires and countie

hitherto other justices of peace and clerkes of the peace in other shires of
this realme have and ought to have done as hath been shewed before.
And it is farther enacted by authority aforesaid that the sheriffe of his
deputie and all other his ministers, assise and escheq of the said shire, and
all coroners, high constables, petty constables, and other officers within eny
of the said shires shalbe obliged and bounden be as wel as aforesaide to
the said justices of peace, Quorum, and Gaule officers, in all and every
thing and thinges concerning their authoritties, as in executing and recoz-
ding of all preceptes and processs to them directed by any of the said Ju-
stices, in like maner and forme, and under like paines and penalties as
all and every sheriffes, coroners, and other officers be and shal be bounden
and obliged by any statute or common lawe in other shires of this realme
of Englande: any acte statute prescription usage custome liberte or priuile-
ge, had accustomed or used to the contrary notwithstanding.

¶ An act for increase and trade of good horses, see Chap. vi. sixth regulation.

The kynge our soueraygne lord continually sturping for the aduancement augmentacion and increase of the publike weale of this his realme, calling to his most gracious memory the great decay of the genetacio and breeding of good and swifte and stonge hoxes, which heretofore haue bene bredde in this realme, to the greaite defence profite and common commoditye of the same: And now remembryng, that lyke breede of hoxes is fore diminished and decayed, the remediation wherof is thought to procede for that that in many and most places of this realme commonly yttell hoxes and nagges of small stature and value be suffered to depasture and also to conour mates and felys of very small stature, by reason wherof the breede of good and stonge hoxes of this realme is nowe lately bymynshed altered and decayed, and farther is lyke to decay, if speedy remedy be not the sooner prouided in that behalfe. The kynges highnes wyllyng therfore to prouide remedy in that behalfe, by the aduise of the lordes spirituall and tempozal, and the commons in this present parlyament assembled, and by thauctozitie of the same, hath ordeined enacted and established, that euery person and persones, as well spirituall as tempozall, of what estate degree or condicion so euer he or they be, which at this present time, or at any tyme hereafter shall haue any parke or grounde enclosed with hedge or che wallle or pale, wherein any deere is, or here after shall be vsuallye kepte for game, conteynyng the quantite of one myle in compas, and is or shall be seised therof in fee simple fee taylor or for tennye of lfe, in possession to his or theyr owne profite and behofe, that euery suche owner of euery such parke and grounde, beyng in his owne hande: and euery fermor of euery suche parke or grounde, beyng letten to ferme, from the firste daye of May, that shalbe in the yere of our lord god, M. D. XXXVII. shal kepe for euery suche parke

parke or groundes being enclosed, as is afore said, as long as the said parke or grounde enclosed shall be used and kept with deer in the same manner as the same beinge not fenced, apte and able to beate folke, ech of them of the altitude or height of six handfulls at the leaste, to be measured from the lowest parte of the house of the fore into the highest parte of the Mulder, and every handfull to conteyne foure paces of the standard, upon payne of forfeiture of six. for every moneth tarding the said mares contrarie to this acte. And that every suche owner or farmer of parke or grounde, whereof the compass is foure miles and above, upon paine afore expressed, shall have for every such parke foure mares, beinge not fenced, apte and able to beate folke, of the altitude or height of six handfulls at the leaste, to be measured as is afore sayd.

¶ Provided, that if it shall happen ante of the said mares by mischaunce or casuallte for to die, that then the lord owner or owners of the said mares prouiding or beinge others of like height and altitude, as is befoze limited, within thye monethes next after the death of the same mares, shall not incurre the daunger and penaltie of this estatute, any thinge befoze rehearsed to the contrary notwithstandinge.

¶ And it is also enacted by auctorite afore sayd, that the lord owners and farmers of all parkes and groundes enclosed, as is afore rehearsed, limited and appoynted by this acte to kepe Mares, shall not at any tyme after the said first day of Maye, which shall be in the year of our lord god. M. D. xxxv. iij. willingly suffer any of the said mares to be covered and measured in forme afore rehearsed, upon paine of forfeiture of six. The moztie of all such forfeitures shall be to the king our soveraigne lord. And the other moztie thereof to the partye that will sue for the same in anye court of our sayd soveraigne lord the kinge, by action byll playnte or inforcement or otherwise, in which action or sute the defendaunt shall not be admitted to wage his law, nor any essoyen or protection shall be unto the defendaunt allowed in that behalfe.

¶ Provided alwaye, that this acte extende not to charge the Lord owner or owners of any Parke or grounde, enclosed within the countie of Westmerlande, Cumberlande, Northumberland, and the Bishoptiche of Durham, nor anye of them to kepe anye Mares, for anye Parke or Parkes grounde or groundes enclosed, as is afore sayd, lyenge in the said countie of Westmerlande, Cumberlande, Northumberland, and the bishoptiche of Durham, otherwyle than they haue or myght haue doone befoze the makinge of this acte: Nor also shall extende to charge the lordes owners or owners of any parke or parkes or groundes enclosed, with the fyndinge of any mares, charge of which parke, or Parkes, is common to the tenants, and inhabitants of the towneshippes next adioyninge to the same parke or parkes, any thinge in this present acte made to the contrary hereof notwithstandinge.

¶ Provided

And provided also, that every spiritual person, and persons charged and chargeable by this Act with the finding of males, may lawfully bargain and sell the increase and breed of theyr sayd males, any Act or Acts hereto before made to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

And againste vnlawfull exactions vnto the same males, and vnto the sayd males of males. Cap. vii.



Here diuers and many forestis be in males and the marches of the same, as well of the inheritance & possessions of our soueraigne lord the king, as of diuersle others beyng lordes marchers: within whiche forestes certayne vntreasonablen customes and exactions haue ben of longe time vnlawfully exacted and vbled, contrary both to the lawe of god and man, to the expresse wronge and great impouerishinge of diuers of the kynge's trew subiectes: The effect of whiche sayd vnlawfull exactions and customes be hereafter declared, that is to wit, it hath ben there vnlawfully vbled, that if it fortuneth any of þe kinges subiectes to passe go oꝛ ride through oꝛ in any way oꝛ pathe of any of the sayd forestes, not hauynge vpon hym oꝛ them, that so shall fortune to passe go oꝛ ride, a token deliuered to him oꝛ them by the chief foresters, rulers, walkers oꝛ fermers, the which token shall be well knowne amongst al them that are walkers and rulers vnder hym oꝛ them: And that he oꝛ they that so shall fortune to passe go oꝛ ride in oꝛ throughout any of the sayd forestes be not perely tributours oꝛ chenslers then he oꝛ they so going riding oꝛ trauipling in oꝛ throughout any of the sayd forestes, hauing no token, nor beyng perely tributours oꝛ chenslers, as is aforesayd, haue vbled to pay by vnlawful exactions vnto the sayd foresters rulers, walkers and fermers of the sayd forestes, a grauous fine oꝛ reward And yf any person oꝛ persons, not hauing suche token oꝛ tokens, and not beyng a perely tributour, oꝛ a chensler as is aforesayd, should happen to be taken, founde, oꝛ espied by any of the sayd foresters rulers walkers oꝛ fermers oꝛ their assignes by the space of.iiii. fote out of the highway, the he oꝛ they so being taken, founde oꝛ espied out of the high way, within any of the sayd forestes, as is aforesayd to forsaite and lose vnto the sayd foresters, rulers, walkers, and fermers, all suche money and golde, as should be then founde vpon him oꝛ them, so being taken in any of the sayd forestes, out of the high way, as is aforesayd. And also the same person oꝛ persons so beyng taken oꝛ founde out of the high way, to forsaite & lose a tynnte of one of his oꝛ their bandes, oꝛ els to make fine therfore with the sayd foresters rulers, walkers & fermers, at the wil and pleasure of the sayd rulers walkers oꝛ fermers. And if also that it happen any beast oꝛ quicke cattell to come go oꝛ escape in to any of the sayd forestes by stray, oꝛ theftholen, oꝛ otherwise, þe sayd foresters rulers walkers oꝛ fermers after knowlege to him oꝛ the giue, haue vbled vnlawfully vbled to seale & take the same beast oꝛ cattell, as his oꝛ theirs

done, and marke them with the marke of the forest; these beest and to be
 sed may then taken and then retaine as cattel forsaith unto their owne use
 by reason wherof the owner & owners of the same cattel have ben cleere wth
 out remedie for the having agayne of the sayd cattel, except onely by waye
 of redemption, or bying agayne of the sayd cattel, contrary to all equite
 & conscience. In consideration wherof it may please our kynges highnes, with
 the assent of the lordes spirituall and temporell, and the commons at the
 present parliament assembled, and by the auctorite of the same, to enact or
 beigne and stablysh, that from the feast of the Nativite of Saynt John
 Baptiste next commynge, whiche shall be in the yere of our lord God. M. D.
 xxxvi. all the sayd unlawfull customes to be determyned, voyde, and had
 for nought throughout all and every of the said forestes within wales and
 the marches of the same: And that it shall be lawfull from thenceforth to all
 and every of the kynges true subiectes, and all other person or persones be
 inge in lege and amitie with our s^{overaigne} lord the king, his heires and
 successours kynges of England, frely quietly & in peace to passe & repasse,
 traivayle and go into and throughout the sayd forestes and every of them,
 bothe on horsebacke and on foote, as well folowing and bying of cattel, as
 with carping of wares, or otherwyle aboute the sayd lawfull busynes and af
 faires, without anye fine or salture tolle custome exaction or other imposi
 tion, to be taken exacted, or demaunded of them or any of them, by the sayde
 foresters, rulers, walkers, fermers, or their assignes. And if it shall chaunce
 happen any of the sayd foresters, rulers, walkers fermers or the sayd assignes or
 any of them, at any tyme after the sayed feast of saynt John Baptiste, to
 take any person or persons, beinge the kynges true subiectes, or otherwyle
 in lege & amity with our sayd s^{overaigne} lord his heires or successours kin
 ges of England, as is abovesaid, and exacte and take of them or of anye of
 them any of the sayd forsaithours fines, tolles, customes or exactions, as is
 aboue mencioned, and be therof lawfully convicted, that then he or they be
 voyng and offending contrary to this acte, to incurre and stande in the da
 gers of the estatute heretofore provided for robberies by the kynges hygh
 way, & the same to be tried before the Justices of the peace in the next Wynt
 er tyme, according to the law of this realme of England.

AND FURTHER BE IT ENACTED by the auctorite aforesaid
 sayde, that yf any maner of beest or quicke cattell of any of the kynges true
 subiectes, or others the kynges frendes, at anye tyme after the sayde feast
 of the Nativite of Saynt John Baptiste, to come into anye of the sayde
 forestes by straves, thefte stolen, or otherwyle, and there to be marked and
 sealed by any of the sayd foresters, rulers, walkers, fermers, or their assignes
 or anye of them, and the owner and owners of the same cattell wthin one
 yere and a day than next ensuynge chaunce to finde the sayde cattell so taken
 and lawfully proue the same to be his or their owne propre cattell, that then
 the same cattell to be redelyvered to the owner or owners therof, accordinge
 to the ancient law of this realme of Englande, the sayde owner or owners
 reasonable

lawfully paying for the hepyng of suche cattell, after the rate of the tyme
 that suche cattell shal haue ben in the custody and hepyng of any suche for-
 gers rulers walkers and fermers or his or their assignes, in suche maner a-
 shewing, as heretofore hath ben in lye case vied to be doone by the lawe of
 this realme of eschaped cattell claymed and proued by the owners, within a
 yere and a daye nexte after the seasing of the same cattell. And if any of the
 said foster rulers walkers fermers their assignes or any of the do deny the
 redeliveraunce of any such cattell, by them or any of them so sealed & marked
 within any of the said forges, after the owner or owners of them shal haue
 lawfully proued them to be his or their owne propre goodes & ca-
 tell, as is also sayde, that then every suche foster ruler walker fermers or
 assignes so doyng and offendyng contrary to this acte, to forsaite and pay
 into the partie grieved the double value of all suche cattell, as shal be so ta-
 ken and marked, & not redelivered to the owner or owners, as is also sayd.
 And that the partie grieved maye haue his action of detinue at the comon
 lawe of and for the same cattell, agaynst every suche offender or offenders,
 and the same to be tried in the nexte tyme adopcionant: in whiche action the
 defendour shal not be admitted to wage his lawe, nor shew nor protection
 shal be allowed for them: And like p'ocess of outlagary to be had & made in
 the said action of detinue in the nexte tyme adopcionant agaynst every foster
 ruler walker fermers or their assignes, so offendyng contrary to the tenours of
 this acte, as in an action of trespass at the comon lawe of this realme is vied.

And note that the hynges spiritual l'it'ies shal paye no tenth
 of their spiritual l'it'ies, but that they paye, the
 which they paye their first frutes.

Capitule. viii.



Where by a late acte made in this parliament for and con-
 cernyng the graunte made to the hynges hyghnes of the
 tenth of the pursh value of all spiritual possessions of
 this realme, and of the first frutes thereof, there appe-
 reth by the wordes of the said acte, that prelates and all
 other incumbents be charged to the payment of the tenth
 that shal be due to the hynges hyghnes, in and for the
 sp'ite yere that they shal be elected, presented, pre-
 sented, or admitted to any dignities, benefices, or other promotions spi-
 ritual, and for the same sp'ite yere shal also paye the hole sp'ite frutes of
 the said dignities, benefices, and promotions, whiche is a double
 charge. For reformation whereof, the hynges hyghnes for thenier and
 hartye love that his grace beareth to the prelates and other incumben-
 ts, chargeable to the payment of the said tenth and sp'ite frutes,
 of his excellent goodwille is pleased and contented, that it be enacted by
 authorities of this present parliament, that whan soever any persone

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or persones, from the fyfthe daye of Maye, whiche shall be in the yere of our
 lordes God a thousande four hundred thirtie and fyve, shall be named, pre-
 fectes, presented, collated, or by any other meanes appoynted to haue any
 archbishopricke, bishopricke, abbacie, monastery, priorie, colledge, hos-
 pitalle, archdeaconrye, deanerye, prouostshippe, prebende, personage, bi-
 cearage, chauntry, freechapel, or other dignitie benefice or promotion spiri-
 tuall, by vertue whereof, they shalbe charged or chargeable, as will for the
 payment of the .x. of euery of the said archbishopricke, bishopricke, abbacy,
 monasterie, priorie, colledge, hospital, archdeaconry, deanry, prouostship,
 prebende, personage, bicarage, chauntry, freechappell, or other dignitie, be-
 nefice, or promotion spiritual, as with the payment of the first frutes of the
 same and euery of the same, shall at his or their composition, agreement, or
 entree into specialtie or specialties, for the payment of the saide first frutes
 haue allowance and deduction of the saide .x. parte of the holls, oute of the
 summe to be payed for the saide fyfthe frutes for the yere, wherein he or they
 shall be firste nominated, prefectes, presented, collated, or by any other meanes
 appoynted, to haue any of the said dignities, benefices, offices, or other
 promotions spiritual, accordyng to the iuste rate, taracton, and celsment of
 the .x. of euery of the said archbishopricke bishopricke abacy monastery priory
 colledge hospital archdeaconry deanery prouostship prebende personage
 bicarage chauntry freechapel or other dignitie, benefice, office, or promotion
 spiritual within this realme, or els where within any of the kynges domi-
 nions of what name nature or qualitie so euer they be, or to whose founda-
 tion patronage or gifte so euer they belonge, noles being entolled, or that
 hereafter shall be entolled in the kynges Exchequer, or in any other the
 kynges courtes of recorde.

CAN BE IT FVRTHER ENACTED that euery com-
 missioner or commysioners, or other the kynges officers or ministers, or
 any other persone or persones, whiche eether by auctoritee of any acte of
 parliamente, or by commysion or commissions, vnder the kynges great
 seale, or otherwyse by his graces commaundement, or by the commaun-
 dement of suche as by his byghnes shall be auctorized for that purpose, be
 appoynted assigned or deputed, or that hereafter shall be appoynted aucto-
 rized assigned or deputed, to compound agte and receiue bondes and spec-
 ialties to his maiesties vse, for paymente of the saide fyfthe frutes of euery
 of the saide dignities, benefices, offices, or other promotions spiritual, shall
 and maye by force of this acte, from the sayde fyfthe daye of Maye for euer
 towarde, haue auctoritee to deducte and allowe vnto euery suche persone
 or persones, as from the sayde fyfthe daye of Maye, shall be nomina-
 ted, preferred, presented, collated, or by any other meanes appoynted to
 haue any of the saide archbishopricke, bishopricke, abbacie, monastery,
 priorie, colledge, hospital, archdeaconry, deanry, prouostship, prebende, pro-
 uostship, bicarage chauntry freechapel or other dignitie benefice office or promo-
 tion spiritual, the summe of the .x. parte of the holls, oute of the summe to be
 payed for the saide fyfthe frutes for the yere, wherein he or they shall be firste
 nominated, prefectes, presented, collated, or by any other meanes appoynted,

And it is also enacted by the auctorite aforesayd, that al and every person and persons, that shal be of the composition and agreement for the tenth frutes, shal be bounden and allowed the tenth part of the hole some of his or their dignities, benefices, offices or promotions spirituall, for the pte wherein he or they shal be first nominated, preferred, presented, collated or by any other means appoynted unto any of the same, as is above sayd, shal yelde and paye the sayd tenth parte, unto the kynges maieste, his heires or successours, the sayd tenth parte in like maner and course, and at such tyme as is limited in the sayd acte of the graunde of the sayd tenth and tenth frutes: any thing conteyned in this acte to the contrary notwithstanding.

And it is also enacted by the auctorite aforesayd, that in such cases, when the successor of any incumbent shal be chargeable to the payment of such sommes of money as shal be due of and for the sayd tenth, that shal happen to be behinde unpayed in the tyme of the pte of his predecessor, that such successor may lawfully distrain such goodes and cattels of his predecessor, as shal happen to be remaine in and upon the dignitie, benefice or promotion spirituall, of the whiche the same tenth was behinde and unpayed in the tyme of the pte of his predecessor, and to receyve the said goodes and cattels till such tyme as the sayd predecessor, if he be alive, and if he be dead, then his executors or administrators, or such other, to whom his goodes and cattels shoulde apperteyne, have fully satisfied, or payd such sommes of money, as shal happen to be behinde and unpayed of the sayd tenth.

And in case the sayd predecessor, his executors administrators, or such other to whome his goodes or cattels shoulde apperteyne, within iii. dates nexte after the distresse therof, do not satisfie the sayd sommes of money, being behinde of the sayd tenth, as is aforesayd, that then for such default of payment it shal be lawful to every such successor to cause the said goodes and cattels so distrained, to be seyled by two or three indifferent persons to be shewe for the same: And according to the same appoyntinge to sell so muche thereof, as shal amounte as well to the full satisfaction of the sayd sommes of money, being behinde and unpayed of the sayd tenth, in the life or tyme of his predecessor, as for the reasonable coses, that shal be spent by occasion of distressing and appoyntinge of the same goodes and cattels. And in case no sufficient goodes and cattels may be founde in or upon such

supplies, which should and this year and any other year should be made, but the
 ten and happened within this year, as well as the other years, as well as the
 of such cattle, as by great numbers and by great numbers, as well as the
 herds and increase of the same is much greater, as well as the
 that if the sayde former statutes were put in execution, the bouchers and
 sellers of such butcheries were not able to pay, nor that his grace should
 be well served therof, the statute of the same considered, by his grace's
 goodness the premises considering, is contented by the assent of his ma-
 tie, with the assent of his lordes spiritual and temporal, and of his com-
 mons in this his present parliament assembled, & by auctorite of the same
 that it be ordeyned established and enacted, that from the first day of April
 in the yere of our lord God M. D. XXXVI. unto the four and twenty day
 of April, the whiche shalbe in the yere of our lord God M. D. XL. al
 bouchers and other sellinge fleshe by retayle, may lawfully kille and sell of
 any beefe, porke, mutton and veale, beynge good and holsonne for mannes
 bodie, at theyr pleasures and liberties, as frely and lyberrally as they or any
 of them did or might haue done at any time before the makinge of the sayde
 statutes, made in the xxiii. and xxv. yeres of our sayde souerayne lordes
 reygne without anye losse, payne imprisonment, forfayture, or penaltie, to
 be by them or any of them, or the successours of them or any of them, had or
 bozne or sustayned in that behalf, during the time limited. The same sta-
 tutes made in the sayd xxiii. & xxv. yeres, or either of them, by any clause for-
 fence or forfayture payne losse or any other thynge in them or any of them to
 the contrary in any wise not withstanding: And that the same statutes and
 eyther of them, and every clause sentence and article in them and eyther of
 them conteyned, shal be in suspence and not to put in execution during the
 sayde tyme.

And where also by an other statute, made in the sayde xxv. yere of the
 reygne of our sayde souerayne lord, it was enacted, that no such payne cal-
 lues, which should happen to falle or be calued betwene the first daye of Ja-
 nuary next ensynge, and the first daye of Maye, duringe two whole
 yeres next after folowing, should be killed, & put to sale by any bouchers or
 other person, hole or by retayle, to any person or persones duringe the sayde
 two yeres upon the paynes conteyned in the sayde statute, as by the same
 statute more paynly appereth: The kynge our souerayne lord of his ex-
 cellent goodness, to the intent that his loving subiectes should be the better pro-
 uided of the more plenty of vitayles agens this holy tyme of Easter next co-
 ming, is also contented that it be enacted by auctorite aforesayde, that all
 bouchers and other sellinge fleshe by retayle, may lawfully from the first daye
 of April, in the yere of our lord God M. D. XXXVI. duringe the
 whole yeres then next ensynge, kille & sell calues whole or by retayle at theyr
 pleasures and liberties, without any losse payne damage penaltie or forfay-
 ture by them or any of them to be had sustayned or lost in that behalf. The
 sayde statute made for killinge of calues to endure for two yeres, or any
 thynge

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realme to the subuersion of the good and cuncte lawes of the same, and to
 content that the kynges byghnes, or any other his subiectes of this realme
 shall not in any wise here after by any meanes or intencions, be deceyved
 damaged or hurted by reason of suche trustes, uses or confidences, it maye
 please the kynges most rovall maiestee, that it maye be enacted by his high-
 nes, by thassent of the lordes spirituall and tempozall, and the commons in
 this present parliament assembled, and by auctoritie of the same, in maner
 and fourme folowynge: that is to saye, that wher any persone or persones
 stand or be leased, or at any tyme hereafter shall happen to be leased of and
 in any honours, castelles, manours, landes, tenementes, rentes, seruices, re-
 ueracions, remainders or other hereditamentes, to the use confidence or trust
 of any other persone or persones, or of any body polityke, by reason of any
 bargayne sale fessment fine recouerie covenant contract agreement wpll or
 otherwyse, by any maner meanes what so euer it be, that in euery suche case
 all and euery suche person and persons, and bodies polityke, that haue or
 hereafter shall haue any such use, confidence, or trust, in fee simple, fee tail,
 for terme of yere or of yeres, or otherwyse: or any use confidence or trust in
 remainder or reuerter, shal from henceforth stand and be leased demed and
 aduindged in lawfull sason estate and possession of and in the same honours
 castels, manours, landes, tenementes, rentes, seruices, reueracions, remainders
 and hereditamentes, with their appurtenaunces to all intentes constructi-
 ons and purposes in the lawe of and in such like estates as they had or shall
 haue in use truste or confidence of or in the same. And that the estate title
 right and possession, that was in suche persone or persones, that were or
 hereafter shal be leased of any landes, tenementes, or hereditamentes, to the
 use confidence or truste of any suche person or persones, or of any body po-
 lityke, be from henceforth clerly demed and aduindged to be in hym or them
 that haue or hereafter shall haue suche use confidence or truste, after suche
 qualite maner fourme and condicion, as they had before in or to the use con-
 fidence or truste that was in them.

And be it further enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that wher byuers
 and many persons be or hereafter shall happen to be toynly leased of and
 in any landes, tenementes, rentes, reueracions, remainders, or other heredita-
 mentes, to the use confidence or truste of any of them that be so toynly lea-
 sed, that in euery such case, that thole person or persons, which haue or here-
 after shall haue any such use confidence or truste in any suche landes, tene-
 mentes, rentes, reueracions, remainders, or hereditamentes, shal from hence-
 forth haue and be demed and aduindged to haue only to hys or theyn, that
 haue or hereafter shall haue suche use confidence or truste, suche estate pos-
 session and season, of and in the same landes, tenementes, rentes, reueracions,
 remainders, or other hereditamentes, wylke nature maner fourme condi-
 tion and course, as he or they hadde before in the use confidence or truste of
 the same landes, tenementes, or hereditamentes, charge and reseruyng
 to all and singular persones and bodies polityke, they, theyres and suc-
 cellours

cessours, whiche than that person or persons, whiche be sealed or sealeds
shall be sealed of any landes, tenementes or hereditamentes to any use, con-
fidence or truste, all suche ryght tytle entre interest possession rentes and ac-
tion, as they or any of them had or myghte have had before the making of
this acte.

¶ And also sayng to all and syngules tho se persons, and to theyr heires,
whiche be or hereafter shall be sealed to any use, all suche former ryght, tytle,
entre, interest, possession, rentes, customes, seruyces, and action, as they or
any of them might have had to his or their owne propre use in or to any ma-
nours, landes, tenementes, rentes, or hereditamentes, wherof they be or
hereafter shall be sealed to any other use, as if this presente acte had never
bene had nor made: any thyng contayned in this acte to the contrary not-
withstanding.

¶ And where also diuers persons stand & be sealed of & in any landes, tenementes
or hereditamentes, in fee simple or other wise, to the use or inter that some
other person or persons, shall have and perceiue perely to them and to his or
their heires one annuell rente of tenne poundes or moze or lesse, out of the
same landes and tenementes, and some other person one other annuell rent
to him and his assignes for terme of lyfe, or yeres, or for some other speciall
tyne, accordyng to suche intent and use, as hath bene heretofore declared
by mynister & made therof: Be it therfore enacted by the auctoritie aforesaide,
that in every suche case the same persons their heires and assignes, that have
suche use and interest, to have and perceiue any suche annuell rentes out of
any landes tenementes or hereditamentes, that they and every of them their
heires and assignes be admydded and desired to be in possidion and reason of
thesame rentes of and in suche lyke estate as they had in the tytle thierof of
use of the said rente or profite, and as if a sufficient graunte or other lawful
conveyaunce had be made and executed to them by suche as were or shall be
sealed to the use or intent of any suche rente to be had made or payed accordyng
to the very trust and intent therof. And that all and every suche per-
son and persons as have or hereafter shall have any tytle use and interest
in or to any suche rente or profite, shall lawfully distraine for none payment
of the said rentes, and in theyr owne names make advowties, or by theyr
Waplinges or seruauntes make constancess and iustificacions, and have all
other suites entrees and remedies for such rentes, as if the same rentes had
bee actually and really graunted to them with sufficient clauses of distress
reente, or other wise, accordyng to suche conditions paymes or other charges
promitted and appointed upon the trust and intent for payment of summe
of suche rent.

¶ And be it further enacted by the auctoritie aforesaide, that where as di-
uers persons have purchased by haue obtained and conveyed of any
diuers landes tenementes and hereditamentes vnto them and to their wives
and to the heires of the husbande, or to the husband and to the wife, and to
the heires of theyr thre bodies begotten, or to the heires of one of theyr bod-

that be gotten, to the husbands and to the wyfe for terme of their liues, or for terme of life of the sayd wyfe; And where any suche estate, or purchase of any landes tenementes hereditamentes hath ben or hereafter shall be made to any husbande and to his wife, in maner and forme aboue expressed, or to any other person or persons, and to theyr heyres and assignes, to the vble and behoue of the sayde husbande and wyfe, or to the vble of the wyfe, as is before rehearsed, for the ioynter of the wyfe; that then in every such case, everye woman married, havinge suche ioynter made or hereafter to be made, shall not clayme nor haue title to haue anye dower of the residue of the landes tenementes or hereditamentes, that at any time were her sayd husbandes, by whome she hath any such ioynter; nor shall demaunde nor clayme her dower of and agaynst them that haue the landes and inheritances of hir sayd husbande. But yf she haue no suche ioynter, then she shall be admitted and inhabeled to pursue haue and demaunde her dower by writ of dower, after the due course and order of the common lawes of thys Realme: this acte or anye lawe or prouision made to the contrary therof not withstandinge.

It is provided alway, that if any suche woman be lawfully expelled or excluded from her sayd ioynter, or from any parte thereof without anye fraude or conuince by lawfull entree action or by discontinuance of her husbande: then everye suche woman shall be endowed of as muche of the residue of her husbandes tenementes or hereditamentes, wherof she was before dowable, as the same landes and tenementes, so expelled and expelled, shall amounte or extend vnto.

It is provided also, that this acte nor any thinge therein conteyned or expressed, extend or be in any wise hurtfull or prejudiciall to any woman or women heretofore beinge married, of so; or concerninge suche ryght title vble interest or possession, as they or any of them haue clayme or pretende to haue for her or theyr ioynter or dower of in or to any manours landes, tenementes or other hereditamentes of anye of theyr late husbandes, beinge now dead or deceased, any thinge conteyned in this acte to the contrary not withstandinge.

It is provided also, that if any wife haue or hereafter shall haue any manours landes, tenementes or hereditamentes, vnto her giuen or assured after marriage, for terme of her lyfe, or other wyse in ioynter, excepte the same assurance be to her made by acte of parliament, and the sayd wife after that for tyme to ouer lyue the same her husband, in whose time the sayd ioynter was made or assured vnto her, that then the same wyfe, so ouerlyuynge, shall and may at her libertie, after the death of her sayd husbande refuse to haue and take the landes and tenementes, so to her giuen appoynted or assured, during the conuerture, for terme of her lyfe or other wyse in ioynter: excepte the same assurance be to her made by acte of parliament, as is aforesayd and therbyon to haue also demaunde & take her dower by writ of dower or other wyse, accordyng to the common lawe, of and in all suche landes, tenementes

mentes and hereditamentes, as his husbande was and shoulde be of any
state of inheritance, at any tyme during the continuance, any thing touching
in this act to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

¶ Provided also that this present act no; any thing therein contained, exten-
ded, nor be at any tyme hereafter interpreted or poulden be taken to extinge
release discharge or suspend any Barres, continuance, or other bond, by the
execution of any estate of or in any landes tenementes or hereditamentes by
the authority of this act, no; any person or persons or bodies politike: any thing
contained in this act to the contrary thereof notwithstanding.

¶ And for as much as great ambiguities and doubtes may arise of the validite
and mualidite of willes heretofore made of any landes tenementes, and he-
reditamentes, to the great trouble of the kinges subiectes, the kinges most
royall maiestie mindinge the tranquillite and rest of his loving subiectes, of
his most excellent and accustomed goodnes is pleased and contented, that it
be enacted by the authority of this present parliament, that al manner true
juste willes and testaments heretofore made by any person or persons de-
ceased, or that shall decease before the firste daye of May, that shall be in the
yere of our lord god, M. D. XXXVI. of any landes, tenementes, or other he-
reditamentes, shall be taken and accepted good and effectual in the lawe,
after such fashion, maner and forme as they were commonly taken and used
at any tyme within forty yeres next afore the makinge of this act: any thing
contained in this act, or in the premises thereof, or any opinion of the common
lawe to the contrary thereof notwithstanding.

¶ Provided alwaies, that the kinges byghnes shall not have demaunders
or take any advantage or profite for, or by occasion of the executing of any
estate onely by authority of this act, to any persone or persones or bodies
politike, which now have, or on this tyme the said first daye of May, which
shall be in the yere of our lord god, M. D. XXXVI. shall have any lfe or lfe
trustes or confidences in any manours, landes, tenementes, or heredita-
mentes holden of the kinges byghnes, by reason of pygmyr leason, luerie,
better le mayne, fine for alienacion, reliefe, or harriot: but that fynes for alie-
nacions relifes and harriottes shall be paid to the kinges byghnes. And
also lueries and offer le maynes shall be sued for vles, trustes, and confi-
dences to be made and executed in possession, by authority of this act, after
and from the said first daye of May, of landes & tenementes and other here-
ditamentes holden of the king in such lyke maner and forme, to all intenes
constructions and purposes as hath heretofore used or accustomed by the
order of the lawes of this realme.

¶ Provided also, that no other person or persons or bodies politike, of whom
any landes tenementes or hereditamentes be or here after shall be holde mediate
or immediate, shall in any wise demaunde or take any fine reliefe or harriot
for, or by occasion of the executing of any estate by the authority of this act
to any person or persons or bodies politike, before the said first daye of May,
which shall be in the yere of our lord god, M. D. XXXVI.

And be it enacted, by the auctoritie aforesaid, that all and singular persons and persons, and bodies politike, whiche at any tyme on this tpe the said first day of May, whiche shal be in the yere of our lord god. M.D.XXXVI. shall have any estate vnto them executed of and in any landes tenementes or hereditamentes, by the auctoritie of this act, shal and may have and take the same or lyke advantage, benefite, voucher, ayde, prayer, remedy, commodity, and profite by action entree condicion or otherwise, to all intents constructions and purposes, as the persons or persons leased to teryr, by or in any such landes, tenementes, or hereditamentes, so executed, had or shoulde might or ought to have had at the tyme of the execution of the same therof, by the auctoritie of this acte, against any other person or persons or of or for any waste, disseison, trespass, condicion broken, or any other offence cause or thyng concerning or touching the said landes or tenementes, so executed by the auctoritie of this acte.

It is provided also, and be it enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that actions now depending against any person or persons, leased of or in any landes tenementes or hereditamentes, to any use, trust or confidence, shall not abate or be discharged for or by reason of steering of any estate therof by auctoritie of this acte, before the said first day of May, whiche shal be in the yere of our lord god. M.D.XXXVI. any thyng concerned in this acte as the contrary not withstanding.

It is provided also, that this acte nor any thyng therein concerned, shal not be prejudiciall to the kinges highnes, for wardship of heires now being within age, nor for liveries, or for oulter in maner, to be sued by any person or persons, now being within age, or of full age, of any landes or tenementes, vnto the same heire or heires now all ready descended: any thyng in this acte contained to the contrary not withstanding.

It is provided also, and be it enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that all and singular recognisances heretofore acknowledged taken or made to the kinges use, for or concerning any recovery of any landes, tenementes, or hereditamentes heretofore bid or had by writ or writtes of entree upon disseison in le poss, shall from henceforth be utterly voyde and of none effect to all intents constructions and purposes.

It is provided also that this acte, nor any thyng therein concerned be in any wise prejudiciall or hurtful to any person or persons, borne in wales or the marches of the same, whiche shall have any estate to them executed by auctoritie of this acte in any landes, tenementes, or other hereditamentes within this realme, wherof any other persons or persons now have or be leased to the use of any such persons or persons borne in wales, or the marches of the same: but that the same persons or persons borne in wales or the marches of the same, shal or may lawfully have recovery of the same landes, tenementes, or other hereditamentes, wherof estate shal be to them executed by the auctoritie of this acte, according to the tenor of the same: any thyng in this acte contained, or any other acte or statute heretofore

tofoze had oꝝ made to the contrarie not withstanding.

An acte concerning clerkes of the signet and
private seals. Capitulo. xi.



Here as the kynges clerkes of his gracious signet and
private Seale, geuyng they: dayly attendaunces for the
passyng and wyryng of his maiesties great and weighty
affayres, and the causes of this his realme, haue for their
entertainmentes and they: clerkes, no fees nor wages
certayne for those offices, other than such fees as cometh
and groweth of the saide signet and private seale: To the
intente that from henceforth they shold not by any manner of meanes be de-
feated of any parte oꝝ portion of the same their fees. Be it therefore orde-
ned establisshed and enacted by the consent and assent of the lordes spiri-
tuall and tempozall, and the commons in this present parlyament assem-
bled, and by auctorite of the same, that all and euery gylte, graunte, and
other wyryng, whiche shall be made oꝝ gyuen in wrytyng by the kynges
hyghnes, oꝝ any his moſte noble posterite, to any persone oꝝ persones, signet
with his graces signe, oꝝ the signet oꝝ signes manuel of any of them, to be
passed vnder any his graces great seales of Englande, Irelande, Duchie of
Lancaster, oꝝ of any his hyghnes counties palantines oꝝ principalities of
waies, oꝝ by other shrotes out of the chexquer, after the xv. daye of Aprill
in the xxvii. yere of his moſte noble reigne. And that all and euery gylte
grauntes and other wrytynges, of what name oꝝ names, qualite oꝝ qualita-
ties so euer the same be, oꝝ hereafter shal be named deined oꝝ called, whiche
the maister of the kynges wardes, oꝝ generall furtherours, oꝝ the kynges
landes for the tyme beyng, oꝝ any other officer oꝝ officers, that now be oꝝ
hereafter shal be made, shall by virtue of any acte of parlyament, oꝝ any the
kynges grauntes to them oꝝ any of them made, oꝝ hereafter to be made in
that behalfe, gyue graunte oꝝ make after the toſaid. xv. daye of Aprill, to any
person oꝝ persons in the kynges name to be passed vnder any his maiesties
seales, be in any wise then and before the same graunt oꝝ any of them be pas-
sed vnder any the kynges saide seales; by other pꝛesent made of the same,
brought and deliuered to the kynges principall secretarie, oꝝ to one of the
kynges clerkes of his graces signet for the tyme beyng, to be at the saide of-
fice of the signet passed accordingly.
And be it also ordeined & enacted by thaurite of the toſaid, that one of the
clerkes of the saide signet, to whom any the saide wrytynges, signed with the
kynges moſt gracious hande, oꝝ the hande of any other aforesaid, oꝝ any of
them, shall come to be deliuered, may and shall by auctorite of the same bill
and acte, within the space of viii. dayes next after he shal have re-
ceyved the same, enter his name and place by the saide secretarie, oꝝ other
with whom any such pꝛesent is to be made, in the booke to be made in the
kynges saide secretarie of such names, subscribed with the hande of the same
clerk

clerke, and sealed with the kinges signet to the lord keeper of the kinges private seale, for further proces to be had in that behalf. And that one of the kinges clerkes of the saied private seale, upon due examination had by the saied lord keeper of the saied private seale, of the saied warrantie to him adressed, from the office of the saied signet as afoze, make and shall within the space of viij dayes, next after he shall haue receiued the same, sende the lord keeper of the private seale do giue them commaundement to the contrarye, make or cause to be made by warrantie of the lord keeper warrantie to the saied lord keeper of the private seale, adressed from the office of the signet afozesayd other letters of lyke warrantie, subscribed with the name of the same clerke of the private seale to the lord chancellour of England, lord keeper of the greates seale, chancellour of the duchy of Lancaster, Chauncellour of the hynge lande of Irelande, Treasourer and Chamberlaynes of the Exchequer, and chamberlaynes of any his countie palatines or principalite of wales, other officer, and to every of them, of the writyng and enscalyng with such scales as remaine in thoyr custody, of letters patent or closed, or other procelle making, dewe and requisite to be had or made upon any the saied grauntes, according to the tenour of the warrant to them or any of them directed, from the office of the private seale as is before specified.

And also be it enacted by the auctorite afozesayd, that no maner clerke or clerkes or other person or persons do write or make any maner writyng warrantie or warranties bypon any maner gifte or graunte, made by the kinges highnesse, or by any other his gracyd officers, as afozesayd, or procure the same or any of the same to be passed under any the scales afozesayd after any other forre manner or facyon, or by any other watermarke or warranties, than as before is specified and declared, upon paine to the saide for every byll, warrantie, or writyng passed contrary to the order before limited and prescribed the somme of xij pounde sterlyng. The one halfe thereof to be to our soueraigne lord the kinge, and the other halfe to hym that shall first sue for the same by action of debt, writte, byll, playne or inquisition in any of the kinges courttes, in which action or suite no essopn, protection, prouision, priuilege, nor wage of law shall be admitted, any manner arre, thurt, prouision, proclamation, or other ordynance here tofore had or made contrary to this present acte, or any article of the same, in any wise notwithstanding.

And nevertheless be it also enacted, that every of the saied clerkes or other person, whiche shall passe in writyng, or procure to be passed in writyng, any graunte or grauntes by immediate warrantie, whereto he may be payde by the greates seale, shall of the parties receiue for the offices of the saied signet and private seale, as well such fees as in this acte is taryd for writyng of any such graunte or other writynges, as also the fees for the seale of the same, whiche fees and every part and portion thereof, the same clerke or clerkes, by whome any graunte shall passe in writyng by immediate warrantie, shall upon a byll of the hand of one of the saied clerkes of the saied signet

of priuie seale, deliuer vnto one of the same clerkes of the signette of priuie seale, within the space of thre monethes, nexte and immediatly ensynge after the passing and sealynge of any the sayed graunte or grauntes by immediate warraunt, vpon payne of. x. li. sterlyng, to be by euery such of the said clerkes or other person, as shal offende, forfaited, to be leuied in forme aforesayd as often as he or they shal offende contrayre to the meanynge of this acte.

¶ Provided also that this acte, or any thyng contained in the same, be not in any wyse prejudicial to the lord Treasorer of Englande for the tyme being, concerning such warrantes or preceptes, as he by vertue of his office shal and may directe immediatly to the lord Chauncellour of Englande, or to any other persons, for making oute of the kinges grauntes or letters patentes, to any person or persons of any offices, fermers of landes or tenementes, or of any other thyngs belonging to his nomination and disposition: but that as well he may directe his sayed warrantes or preceptes for the causes aboue sayd, as also his clerke or clerkes, or other person may procure the same to be sealed vnder any of the seales aforesayd, without any warrant to be before or after sewed as hath ben used vnder the kinges signet or priuie seale for the same, in as large and ample maner, and after suche sort and facion, as he or they myght haue done at any tyme before the making of this acte, any thing in the same acte mentioned to the contrary not withstanding.

¶ Provided also, that al and euery lease and leases of the kinges manors, landes, tenementes, possessions or other profittes or hereditamentes within the countie of palantyne of Lancaster, or of the duchie of Lancaster, oute of the sayd countie palantyne, which the Chauncellour of the Duchy of Lancaster for the tyme being, or the Chauncellour of the sayd countie palantyne for the tyme being, or eyther of them, shal hereafter make or graunt in the name of our kinge our soueraigne lord his heires or successours to any maner person or persons, shal and may passe and be passed vnder the seales of the said Duchy of Lancaster, or of the sayd countie palantyne of Lancaster, or of eyther of them in maner and forme as heretofore hath ben used, and accustomed: any thing in this present acte, before made to the contrary not withstanding.

¶ Provided also, that al & euery gift grant and patent of any maner office or offices, or any other thinge beinge, or which hereafter shalbe in the countie palantyne of Lancaster, or of the sayd duchie of Lancaster, oute of the sayd countie palantyne, the yearly wages or fees whereof amounteth not ouer and aboue the value of. ii. pence by the day, shal and may passe and be passed by the sayd Chauncellour of the Duchy of Lancaster, or by the sayd Chauncellour of the sayd countie palantyne, or of eyther of them for the tyme being, in maner and forme as heretofore hath ben used & accustomed: any articles or thinge in this present acte before made to the contrary not withstanding.

¶ And to the intent that as well such as now be or hereafter shal be in

officers and clerkes of the kynges signet and pryate seale, shoulde have and take honest and sufficient salarie and rewarde for the wrytyng of the sayde warrauntes to be by them made as aforesaide, as also the kynges most loyng for the full and obedient subiectes, knowinge the certayne charges to be by them laid out for the wrytyng of the sayde warrauntes, shuld not by any extortion or other sinister means be contented by any the sold clerkes to paye moze large and excessive fees for the wrytyng of the same, than they shal and conscience shal requyre. Be it enacted by the auctorite aforesaide, that every clerk and clerkes of the sayde signet and pryate seale shal have and take for his or theire wrytyng of a warraunt upon a byll for raton of rewarde. xii. s. for the wrytyng of a warraunt for the gyfte of every office. vi. s. for the wrytyng of a warraunt for a pension annuete of wages. x. d. for the wrytyng of a warraunt for a special leuerey, or other perpetuete. vi. s. vii. d. for the wrytyng of a warraunt upon every byll for a congie de grete roghill assent restitution of temporallities donatives aduocacions, prebendacions, or other ecclesiastical matter. iii. s. iii. d. for the wrytyng of every warraunt upon a place of licence pardon of thynnes rewarde. ii. s. for the wrytyng of every warraunt upon a denysen. iii. s. iii. d. for the wrytyng of a warraunt for keepynge of an inuoyte. x. d. for the wrytyng of a warraunt for keepynge of a warde. iii. s. iii. d. And that no maner of clerke or clerkes of the signet or pryate seale aforesaide shal take for the wrytyng of any maner warraunt about specified, moze large and ample fees, than befoze is prescribed and appoynted, vppon payne of x. s. for everyng to be by him forfayted, whiche shal offend contrary to the trewe renowe and meanyng of the sayde statute, one halfe thereof to be to the kyng our soverayn lord, the other halfe to byn that shal first sue for the same by wil action plaint or informacion in any of the kynges courtes: In which action or suite no escheu protection nor wylenger of lawe shal be admitted.

It is provided also, that the lord Chancellor of England for the time being, shal and may at all tymes use his discrecion in passynge and spedynge any thyng by the great seale, and deliuering the same, without payynge any fees for the great seale signet and pryate seale, as the case of necessitie shal require, and as hath ben accustomed. And that the clerkes for wrytyng or procurynge such wrytynges and patentes by his commandement, shal be discharged of all penalties expressed befoze in this acte, for not receyving and payynge fees to the signet and pryate seale, any thyng in this acte conteyned to the contrary hereof not withstanding.

And be it furthermoe enacted by the auctorite aforesaide, that this present acte and every parte and parcel thereof shal extend to the court of chauncery of the revenues of the kynges coronone, and bynde every officer and officers, their clerkes, and ministers, that now be or hereafter shal be of the same court, to the observance thereof of every parte thereof, for and concernynge the sealynge and wrytyng of any maner patre lease or other graunt, which vpon the kynges byll signed shal passe the great seale of the same court: any con-

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shall hundred contained, in the act made in this present session for the stabling
ment of the officers of the said court of augmentation, or any other act or
provision made to the contrary hereof in any wise not withstanding.
It is provided never the less, that this act or any thing contained in the
same, be not in any wise prejudicial to any manner person or persons whom
the kinges highnes shall by expresse commandement direct sent or appoint
to procure any thing or thinges to be sealed with any his maiesties seales,
for or concerning his maiesties private affaires, or the affaires of his high-
nes realme: but that as wel the same person or persons, being appointed by
the kinges highnes as aforesaid, as also suche officer and officers as shall
haue the keeping of any the kinges seales, their ministers and clerkes shall
and maye seale write and deliuer, and procure the sealing, writing and de-
liueryng of any suche thing or thinges, concerning the kinges highnes
affaires, as aforesaid, without being bounde to procure any manner in-
cant, or payng any manner fees at or to the signet or priuer seale for the same:
so that the name or names of every suche person or persons as shall pro-
cure the sealing of any suche thing or thinges on the kinges behalf, as
aforesaid, be entred in the clerke of the Chanapery booke after this sorte per
ad mandatum domini regis: any thing in this act contained to the contrary
not withstanding.

It is provided also, that this act or any thing contained in the same, be not
in any wise prejudicial to any manner person or persons, whiche hereafter
shall haue by the kinges highnes, or by any his maiesties officers, the grant
or lease of any manner ferme or fermes to be sealed with any his highnes se-
les, the yerely rent wherof amounteth not aboue the somme of xl. s. vi. d.
sterling: but that as wel every suche person and persons, as officer or
officers, hauing the custody of such seale or seales, their ministers and clerkes
may write seale and deliuer, or procure the writing, sealing and deliuyng
of any such lease or leases, as aforesaid, without payng therfore any man-
ner fees at or to the signet or priuer seale for the same: any thing in this act
mentioned to the contrary not withstanding.

An acte for trewe making of wollen clothes.



As muche as great insamy and slander hath risen of late
yeres in sondry outward parties beyond the sea, of the un-
true makinge of wollen clothes within this realme, to the
great derogacion of the common weale of the same, and to the
no litle hynderaunce of the sale of the said commodities, for
remedy wherof be it ordeyned and enacted by the kinge our
soveraigne lorde, the lordes spirituall and temporall, and the commons
in this present parliament assembled, and by auctorite of the same, that
after the fealte of sainte Margherite the archangell nostre commynge, all and
every clothier within this realme, shall weave or cause to be woven his or
their

Wherby General to be taken of make in all and every clothe, kersey, and other clothes whatso ever they be made and brought to be entered and sold. And whan any such clothe shall be ready made and dyed to be put to sale, every of the same clothiers shall set his seale of leade vnto every of the said his sayd clothes and kersies; in whiche seale of leade shall be comprehended the true and iuste length of every of the same clothes or kersies: as it shal be duly found by every of the same; upon due pprose therof as verified by the water. And in case upon any such pprose to be made by any of them at the water, there shal be found lesse or smaller content in length, than is comprehended and specified in every of the said seales: whan every of the same clothiers making such default, shall lese and forsaite vnto every party of the same, the double value of so much clothe as shall wante and lacke of his said content in length, at the owly sight and iugement of any two indifferent persons, that shal measure the same clothes and kersies. And every clothier sending or putting any of their clothes to sale, before such time as al and every of the same clothes shal be sealed by the aunnager of the same countie, where it shal chance any of the said clothes so to be made: and also to be ordered and sealed by every of the sayde clothiers in forme aforesayde, shall lese and forsaite his clothe or clothes what so ever they be, the one halfe therof shal be to the kynges hyghnes, his heires and successours, and the other halfe to hym or to whiche that wolle sue for the same by bpl, playnt, action of det, or other wyse: in whiche action or wayer of lawe, elosen, or protection shal be allowed.

And it is further enacted by ourtothe aforesaid, that after the said seale of sainte Michell tharchangell, every brode clothe shal contayne in breaed seven quarters of a yerde within the listis at the least, and to hold the same content alwaies if it be pproved at the water. The acte made in the first yere of the reigne of our said sovereign lord, that every brode clothe shuld contayne two yardes in breaed within the listis, or any other thing therein contained, touching the hepyng of the same breaed of two yardes, in any wyse not withstanding. And every kersey shal contayne in breaed one yerd within the listis at the least, if it be pproved in the water: upon paine to forsaite for every such brode clothe, iii. s. iiii. d. and for every such kersey, xx. d. To be recovered to the use of the kynges highnes, and of any other that wolle sue for the same in maner and forme before declared.

Provided alwaies, that this present acte extend not to any clothes, called set clothes, of all sortes made in the countie of Suff. not exceeding the price of xl. s. viii. d. the clothe, nor to any clothes called Gaiestockes, weerne dolynes, fyles, handals, cottons, and all maner of coarse clothes, made for lynynges.

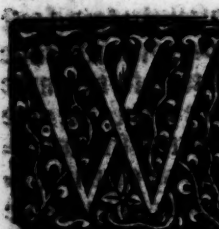
And be it further enacted by the saids ourtothe, that the aunnager of any countie shal not seale any of the sayde clothes with the kynges seale, until such time as they and every of them shal be first ordered and sealed with their contentes, accordyng to the true meaning of this present acte, in

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fourme aforesaid, upon paine of lesynge of his office. And that no person
any of the said clothes or hersey, marked and sealed in foume aforesaid,
possesse by any manner of sleight, means or ingines, to bytate, pull, or
stretch out any of the same clothes or hersey, other wise than to make them
even after they be wet, and to agre with the contentes specified and contey-
ned in the scale of every of the same clothes and hersey, as nece as they can
upon paine to forsaite the double value of every clothe or hersey, to witte
contrary to the true intent and meayning of this present act. To be taken to
the use of the kinges highnes, and of any other that will sue for the same, in
like manner and foume as is before declared.

It is provided alway, that all cloth hereafter made to be sold within the cite
of Worcester, the townes of Droitwich, Evesham, Kidderminster, & in the
mesgrove, in the countie of Worcester, shall be sealed with the seals of the
justices there, accordyng to an acte of parliament in that behalf provided
and made the xvj. yere of the reigne of our said soueraigne lord, and that
the owners of the clothes made within the said cite and towne, shall not be
compelled by this acte, to put their owne seales to any clothes there made
or hereafter to be made.

An acte that whete wollen clothes of. lxxx. li. and under: and col-
oured clothes of. lxx. li. and under may be fraim hense
forth caried over the sea. Cap. xlii.



Here as by acte of parliament, holden in the xvj. yere of
the reigne of our soueraigne lord the kyng that now is,
it was ordeined and enacted, that no wollen clothe above
the price of fyve markes, shoulde be conueyed over the
sea unrolled, unbarbed, and unshorne, upon certayne
penalties in the same acte expressed more at large. which
acte being put in execution, shall not onely redounde and
tourne to the abatementes of the kynges customes, but
also growe to the better vnderpynning of his graces subiectes, cloth makers and
marchauntes, conueyers of the sayde clothes: by reason that woll is sold
to a farre greater price, than it was at the making of the foresaid acte. For
where a clothe was then commonly sold at fyve markes, it is now sold for
fourte pounde. And also by force of the sayde acte, the marchauntes shoulde
be bounde to dresse every white clothe above the value of fyve markes
on this syde the sea, after that they haue brought them: whiche white clothe
dressed, whan they be brought in to the parties beyond the sea, and there by
the biers of the dyed & put in colours, than they must be newly dressed, bar-
bed, shorne, & rolled: so that they shall be therby the lesse in substance of the selles
and the worse to the sale, & sold for lesse price by tenn or twelue shyllynge
pece beyond the sea then they shoulde be undressed, wherfore be it ordeined &
enacted by the king our soueraigne lord, his lordes spiritual & temporal, & the com-
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more in this present parliament assembled and by authority of the same, that every white wollen cloth sold for foure poundes and under is every coloured cloth sold for three poundes and under, may be carried & conveyed into the parties beyond the sea, there to be sold at the pleasure of the buyers of the said cloth or clothes, unbarbed, unshorne and uncoloured; any actes to the contrary notwithstanding.

And over this be it ordeyned and enacted, by the said authority, that if any person or persones sende or convey, or cause to be sent and conveyed into the parties beyond the sea, any white wollen cloth above the value of foure poundes, or any coloured cloth above the price of three poundes unbarbed, unbarbed, and unshorne, in other forme than is aforesaid, that then the person or persones so offending, shall forfeite the value of the said clothes, so carried and conveyed into the parties beyond the sea: And one moiety of the same forfeiture to be to the use of our said sovereign lord the kinge, and the other moiety to every person whiche will or shall sue by bill or writte, information, or other wise against any person for the same: And that the defendant in any plea, upon any such action be not admitted to wage his lawe, nor any protection or esoyne for any such defendante be allowed in the same.

An acte concerning the custome of leather. Cap. xliii.



Where great quantitie and much haboundance of leather is daily conveyed out this realme, as well by estrangers as also by tanners and of other the kinges subiectes, inhabited in divers parties of this realme towards the sea coastes, and in especially out of wales, Cheshire, and Cornewall, where litle or no custome is payed for the same, which leather is commonly packed by the said estrangers tanners and other the kinges subiectes in their houses, and so conveyed into the portes and havens, wher they intende to ship the same; whiche packed so conveyed and brought to such portes and havens to be shipped, whenever there unpacked, to be viewed what nombre of leather is contained in any such packe, but entered in a customers booke by a bynde the information and reporte of the said strangers tanner or other person transporter of the same leather. And all be it that the kinges highnes in such places and portes hath very litle customes payed for the same, yet for as much as in such places there is no better secke nor men had for the perfecte knowledge of the nombre and quantites of the leather so by them packed, the kinges grace is muche deprieved of such his customes as ought therfore to accrue to his highnes: For where in the Portes of London two personnes be named and appointed by the wayen of the wolles, within the same Portes for the time being, to sel and nombre all suche leather by the hynde, accompting ten hynds to the deken, and also all well, felles, as within the same portes shall be shipped from tyme to tyme; whiche

which two persons be sworn before the customers of his great custom, truly and duly to do and execute their offices, in telling and numbering all such leather and wolfe felles in the presence of the said customers, and of the comptroller of the same custom or of their deputies, who being present and viewing the same, do make entree therof in their books. And after such tale made and entree takē, an other person by the maior of London for the time beinge constituted and appointed, is also sworn, trewly to packe the same leather so tolde & entred into the customers booke, every of the same tellers & packers takinge such fees for their labours, as of olde tyme have ben vled limited and accustomed, every stranger paying for custome of every Deke of leather, viij. s. iij. d. and every Denner, iiii. s. i. d. which like custome is also payed in the port of Hampton, but not in anye other portes of this realme, and specially in Wales, Cheshyre, and Cornwalle, out of the whiche parties, by reason of such small customers, more leather is conveyed ouer the sea, than out of other places of this realme, which is an occasion of bereft and great prices of the same leather. For the redress whereof, and to the entente that one manner of custome for every such Deke of leather so conveyed ouer the sea, as wel by Denners as strangers, shalbe payed throughout this realme, Wales and other the kinges dominions: and also that the kynges highnes maye be the better assured of his customes to be payed of all such leather as shalbe here after caried and conveyed ouer the sea. Be it enacted by the auctoritee of this present parliament, that from henceforth no manner of straunger nor Denner shal packe or cause to be packed any manner of leather, to be conveyed or shipped ouer the sea, out of this realme, Wales, or other the kinges dominions, other wise than in this acte is expressed, that is to saye, that all such leather shal be hereafter packed by a packer sworn in every such port, where anye leather shalbe shipped to be conveyed out of this realme, Wales or other the kinges dominions, upon payne of forfeiture of all such leather as hereafter shalbe packed contrary to the purpore of this acte or of the value thereof. And also that from henceforth every stranger and Denner, which shal ship or sende or cause to be shipped ouer the sea, anye of the same leather, out of this realme, Wales, Cheshyre, or other the kinges dominions, shal pay like custome for the same, as is vled to be payed within the port of London, that is to saye, every stranger to pay for every Deke of leather for custome, viij. s. iij. d. and every Denner, iiii. s. i. d. And be it also enacted, that within every porte haven and Creeke within this realme, Wales and other the kinges dominions, where no tellers nor packers be at this present tyme be, nor before the making of this acte have ben, that from henceforth the customers and comptrollers of every such port haven and Creeke, where such leather shalbe shipped to be conveyed into the parties beyond the sea, shal have power by auctoritee of this acte, to name constitute and appoint one able person, to tell and number all such leather as shal be at any tyme there shipped, which person so named, shal be sworn by the customer and Comptroller of every such port, haven and Creeke,

Take, trewely and duely to execute his office in the presence of the custome and controller of every suche porte Greke or haven, where anye suche lether shall be shipped, or of his or their deputie or deputies, the same teller taking of every stranger for the telling of every diker of lether five pence: whereof the same teller to have for his labour two pence, and four pence to be to the commynaltye of the same towne and porte, toward the payment of their fee ferme and other their charges. And of every daupen, not being a freeman of the saide porte and haven, for every diker, four pence, whereof the teller to have two pence, and other two pence to be to the commynaltye of the same porte or haven, for the intent above declared: And of every diker by any persone being a free man of suche porte and haven, but onely two pence for his labour. And that immediately after suche sale had, and entre thereof made by the customer or his deputie, an other able persone named: deputed and assigned by the saide customers and controllers of every such porte and haven, and before them sworne, trewely and duely to do and execute his office: shall packe all such lether, so tolde and entred, every packe to conteyne as many diker, under the nombre of seven diker, as it shall please the merchant or owner thereof to appoynte, taking for his labour for the packing of every packe four pence.

And be it further enacted by the saide auctoritie, that if any packer take upon him to packe any lether before it be tolde or numbred, and entre thereof made by the customer or his deputie, or at any time packe more lether than shall be tolde and entred, accordyng to the purpote of this acte: that then the same packer, to forsaite and lose for every time doing the contrary, v. li. and to suffer therfore imprisonment at the kynges pleasure. And also that if the teller within anye suche porte or haven, at any tyme hereafter, take upon him to tel or nombre any lether in the absence of the customer controller, or of his or their deputie or deputies, than the same teller for every time so doing to lose and forsaite five markes.

And for as much as divers strangers carry and convey their lether from one porte to an other, & by the way cause the same lether to be packed, which packes so conveyed be not bndome nor opened at theyr arrivall within the portes, wherunto they be so transported: but there only entred by and upon the reporte and information of the merchant stranger, or of his factor, wherby muche custome is souceled. Be it therefore also enacted by the saide auctoritie, that if anye stranger, or other his factor, at any time hereafter, do convey or carie any lether from one porte to an other, to the intent to ship the same in suche other porte, ineschynge it shall be so conveyed, the same stranger, or other his factor, for every packe before suche transportation: of the same lether, shall cause the saide lether, to be so tolde: within the same porte, from whence he wolle or intendeth to carie the same: and the same so tolde cause to be entred by the customer of the same porte, or his deputie: and cause to be also packed by the sayde packer of the sayde porte, where it shall be so tolde, taking of the customer, or customers of the same porte

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1. *Learn to be a good listener.* Listen to the people around you. Listen to the people who are different from you. Listen to the people who are older than you. Listen to the people who are younger than you. Listen to the people who are from different cultures. Listen to the people who are from different countries. Listen to the people who are from different religions. Listen to the people who are from different backgrounds. Listen to the people who are from different families. Listen to the people who are from different schools. Listen to the people who are from different neighborhoods. Listen to the people who are from different communities. Listen to the people who are from different groups. Listen to the people who are from different organizations. Listen to the people who are from different institutions. Listen to the people who are from different societies. Listen to the people who are from different cultures. Listen to the people who are from different countries. Listen to the people who are from different religions. Listen to the people who are from different backgrounds. Listen to the people who are from different families. Listen to the people who are from different schools. Listen to the people who are from different neighborhoods. Listen to the people who are from different communities. Listen to the people who are from different groups. Listen to the people who are from different organizations. Listen to the people who are from different institutions. Listen to the people who are from different societies.

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shall, upon paine of every one of the sayde clergy, doinge contrary to this acte, and being thereof convicted, to suffer imprisonment and make fine at the kinges will.

¶ And for as much as such canons constitutions and ordinances, as here before have bene made by the clergy of this Realme, can not now at the dissolution of this present parliament, by reason of the length of time, be conveniently examined and determined by the kinges highnes and xxiiij. persons to be chosen and appointed according to the direction of the said clergy in some private repository: be it therefore enacted by authority aforesaid, that the kinges highnes shall have power and authority, to nominate and assigne at his pleasure the said xxiiij. persons of his subjects, xxviij. to be of the clergy, and xvi. to be of the temporallie, of the upper and nether house of the parliament: And if any of the said xxviij. persons so chosen, shall happen to die before their full determination, then his highnes to nominate other fit time to time of the said ii. houses of parliament, to supplye the number of the said xxiiij. And that the same xxiiij. by his highnes to be named, shall have power and authority to viewe search and examine the sayd canons constitutions and ordinance provinciall and hoodall heretofore made, & suche of them as the kinges highnes and the said xxiiij. or the more parte of them, shall seme and adudge worthy to be continued kept & observed, shall be from thensforth kept observed and executed within this Realme, so that the kinges most royal assent under the great seale be first had to the same. And the residue of the sayd canons constitutions and ordinance provinciall, which the kinges highnes and the said xxiiij. persons, or the more parte of them, shall not appoynt, or seme and adudge worthy to be abrooke abrogate & revoke frustrate, shall from henceforth be voyde and of none effect, and never be put in execution within this Realme.

¶ Provided alway, that no canons constitutions ordinance shall be made and put in execution within this Realme, by authority of the convocation of the clergy, whiche shall be contrariant or repugnant to the kinges prerogative royal, or the customes lawes or statutes of this Realme: any thing conceived in this acte to the contrary hereof notwithstanding.

¶ Provided also, that such canons constitutions ordinance & synodals provinciall being already made, which be not contrariant nor repugnant to the lawes statutes and customes of this Realme, nor to the damage or hurt of the kinges prerogative royal, shall be now still used and executed as they were before the makinge of this acte, till suche tyme as they be viewed searched or otherwise ordered and determined by the said xxiiij. persons or the more parte of them, according to the tenour forme and effect of this present acte: as by the sayde acte amongstes other thinges more at large is expressed.

¶ And for as muche as the kinges highnes hath not named and assigned the said xxiiij. persons within the makinge of the said acte: be it therefore enacted by authority of this parliament, that the kinges moste shall have full power and authority, as well afore as after the dissolution of this present

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parliament at his liberte and pleasure to name and assigne. And persons of the clergy, & of lay persons of the temporall. And if after such nomination any of the said persons happen to deceasse, that then the kinges highnes shall have power and auctorite to nominate and assigne from time to time, other in their places, to supply the nombre of the said. And that the said persons to be nominated by his maiestie, at all times from henceforth to the terme of thre yeres next after the dissolucio of this parliament, shall have power and auctoritie to assemble them selves together from time to time by the kinges commaundement, for the better and perfecter execution of the said act, accordyng to the ententes and true menyng of the same, any thyng in the said acte to the contrary hereof not withstanding.

An acte concerning enrollemences of bargaynes and contraites of landes and tenementes. Cap. xvi.



It enacted by the auctorite of this present parliament, that from the laste date of July, whiche shall be in the yere of our lord god. M.D. XXXVI, no manours landes tenementes or other hereditamentes shall passe altes or change from one to another, whesby any estate of inheritaunce or free hold shall be made or take effecte in any person or persones, or any other of to be made, by reason only of any bargayn and sale therof, excepte the same bargayn and sale be made by writing indented sealed and enrolled in one of the kinges courtes of record at Westmister, or els within the same countie or counties, where the same manours landes or tenementes forbar-gained & sold lie or be, before the custon Rotulour and ii. iustices of the peace, and the clerk of the peace, of the same countie or counties, or two of them at the leaste, wherof the clerk of the peace to be one, and the same enrolmentes to be had and made within six monethes next after the date of the same writings indented, the same custon Rotulour and ii. iustices of the peace & clerke taking for the enrolment of every such writing indented before them, where the land comprised in the same writing excede not the pety value of, s. s. two shillinges, that is to say, s. d. to the iustices, and ii. s. to the clerke: And for the enrolmentes of every such writing indented before them, where the land comprised excede the some of, s. s. or pety value, that is to say, ii. s. d. to the said iustices, and ii. s. d. to the said clerke for the enrolling of the same. And that the clerke of the peace for the tyme being within every such countie, shall sufficiently enrol and engrosse in parchment the same sales or writings indented, as is aforesaid, and the rolles therof at chens of every yere shall deliuer unto the said custon Rotulour of the same countie for the tyme being, there to remaine in the custody of the said custon Rotulour, until for the tyme being assigned other recordes of every of the same counties, where any such enrolmentes shall be so made, to the intent that every party that hath to do therewith may resort and to the effecte to knowe

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of every such writing to be enrolled. **P**rovided also that this act, nor any thing therein conteyned, shalbe to any manner landes tenementes or hereditamentes, lieng or being within any cite borough or towne corporate within this realme, wherein the maiors recorders chamberlaines, bailiffes, or other officer or officers have auctorite or have lawfully been to enroll any such deedes or other writings within their precinct or limittes, any thing in this acte conteyned to the contrary notwithstanding.

An acte concerning such as bene put in trust by their masters, and after dooe robbe them. Cap. xvii.

Where before this tyme divers & many evil disposed persons have often & many times taken & stolen fro their masters & mistresses divers Jewels, plate, money, & other goodes & catalles, to the great hurt & losses of their said masters and mistresses. And not withstanding the heynous offence contrary to the trust that the master or masters putteth in the servants, & contrary to the faith that the servant of duetie should beare to his master or mistresse, yet when they have bene arraigned of the said felonies, many of them have ben admitted to their clergie, & some of them have bene admitted to take the privilege of sanctuary, as other felons have ben for offences not so heynous, to the great boldnesse of other persones to committe suche lyke offence. Be it therfore enacted, ordeyned, and established by the kyng our souerayne lord with chassent of the lordes spiritual and temporell, and the commons in this present parliament assembled, and by auctorite of the same, that if from henceforth any servaunt for the tyme being in service of any person or persons happen to steale or felonously take away any Jewelles, money, plate, or other goodes or catalles of his saide master or mistresse, or if hereafter any servaunte, to whome any casket, Jewelles, money, goodes, or catalles, shall be delivred by his saide master or mistresse by any other to their use, withdrawe them selfe fro their sayde master or mistresse, and go away with the sayde casket, Jewelles, money, goodes, or other catalles, or any parte thereof contrary to the trust and confidence to him or them putte by his or their saide master or mistresse, or elles being in the service of his saide master or mistresse, without the assent or commaundement of his saide master or mistresse, he embetell the same casket, Jewelles, money, goodes, or catalles, or any parte thereof, or other wise convert the same to his owne use, with lyke purpose to steale it, if the said casket, Jewelles, plate, money, goodes or catalles, that any such person shall take fro his master or mistresse, be to the value of xli s. or above or if the said casket, Jewelles, goodes, money or catalles, that any such servaunt after delivry of the same, shall go away with, or which he shall embetell with purpose to steale it, as is also said, be of the value of xli s.

of abans, that therewith such servant, that so shall steale the goodes of his
 money place by other goodes to him delivered in thames before wherof, and
 defende gillie therof, or of any partell of the same, according to the law of
 the land, or upon his arraignment before any iustice of the same, that
 he shall forth be put to his clergy, and be put to death, as if he were
 a felon.

And be it further enacted by thauchoise aforesaid, that every such per-
 son or persones, that so shall steale the goodes of his sayde master or may-
 sters, or imbecel that that so to him shall be delivered, as is aforesaid, if same
 goodes be of the value of .x. s. as is aforesaid, shall lose the pynnyllage of all
 saynnares: Any use or custome heretofore had or used to the contrary not
 withstanding.

An acte for the preferuacion of the ryuer of Thame. Cap. xliii.



Where before this time the riuer of Thamis among al other
 ryuers within this realme hath ben accepted and taken, and
 as it is in dede moste commodious and profitable to all the
 kinges liege people, and chiefly of all other frequented and
 used, as well by the kinges highnes, his estates and nobles
 marchauntes and other repaying to the city of London and
 other places thires and countie adioyninge to the same, whiche ryuer of
 Thamis is and hath bene moste mete and conuenient of all other for the sa-
 uerage and ordering of the kinges Raue, conueyance of marchandise,
 and other necessities to and for the kinges most honorable household, and
 otherwile to the great reliefe and comfort of all persons within this realme
 till now of late diuers euill disposed persones partly by mysorderinge of
 the sayd riuer by casting in of dunge and other filthe layed neygh the ban-
 kes of the sayd ryuer, digging and undermining of the banks and walles
 next adioyning to the same riuer, carryinge and conueyng away of wayes,
 hydes, mores, piles, bozdes, timber worke, bails for shippes, and other
 thinges from the said banks and wallis in sundry places: by reason wher
 of great helpes and risings haue of late bene made and groten in the sayd
 way of the sayed ryuer, and suche groundes as lye within the leuell of the
 sayd water marke by occasion thereof haue ben surrounded and overflown
 by rage of the sayd water, and many great breaches haue ensued and fol-
 lowed there vpon, and dayly are like to do, and the sayd riuer of Thamis to
 be utterly destroyed for euer, if conueniente and speedy remedie be not soone
 provided in that behalfe.

For reformation wherof be it enacted established and ordeyned by the
 king our soueraygne lord, and by thassent of the lordes spiritual and tem-
 poral, & the commons in this present parliament assembled, & by thauchoise
 of the same, that if any person or persones, hereafter do or procure any thing

to be done in the murthering of the same in the sayd river of Thames, making of wharves by any manner of meanes or industry, digging, casting of dunge, rubbish or other thing in the same river, or take plank, or conner any other wood, or barkes, pilers, timbre, work, or other thinge from the said river or wharves, excepte it be to amende and repaire the same againe of thinge to furthermore any barkes or wallis upon the water side of the same aforesaid, to the harte impairing or damage of any of the sayd wallis, or barkes: then the same person or persons and every of them shall for every offence pay for every time so offendinge, one hundred shillinges, the one moiety thereof to be to the King our soveraigne lord, and the other moiety thereof to the mayer and commonalties of London for the same purpose, the same to be recovered and obtained by the mayer and commonalties of London, by bill plaint writ of verte or information severally agaynst every offendour in any of the Kinges courtes, in which actions and lites or any of them the partie defendante shall not be allowed nor wage his lawe, nor any protection to be allowed in the same.

And it is further enacted by auctorite aforesaid, that if complaine shall happen to be made to the sayde Chauncellour of England, lord treasurer, lord president of the Kinges counsell, lord priue seale, or to any of the, by any person or persons or body pollicke, that say Thomas Sperte knyght now having the office and ordering of and for ballasting for Shippes, or any other that here after shall have the sayde office and order for ballasting of Shippes, do take any balest for Shippes here to sayd river of Thames; and do not take for parcel of the sayde ballastinge the goodell and sande of the wharves betweene Goethepythe and Wychemonde wythin the sayde river of Thames, or in any place or places, that is or shalbe to the damage or annoyance of the sayde river of Thames, or any parte thereof: that then upon every such complaine the sayde lord Chauncellour, lord treasurer, lord president of the Kinges moste honourable counsaile, lord priue seale, and every of them, callinge some the chiefe Justices of eyther benche or one of them, shall have power and auctorite from tyme to tyme, to here and finally determine every such complaine by their discretions, and to put such order therein, and for taking of balest for Shippes upon every such complaine, as by their discretions shall seme moste convenient for the conservacion of the said river of Thames: and the parties offendinge such order, shall suffer imprisonment, and make no lesse fine than five pounde to the Kinges use, for every time offending or breaking the same.

It is also enacted and be it enacted, that it shal be lawfull to every person and persons to dredge, rake and take away sande, gravel or any other rubbish, the erthe or thing lying or beyng in or upon any wharfe or wharves wythin the said river of Thames, without let or interruption of any person or persons, or paying any thing for the same, any thing conteyned in this present acte to the contrary notwithstanding.

Henric octavvs. In the first parliament of his said majestie the first of the month of May.

Whereupon the lordes of sayntuarie and the licentious libertines that heretofore have ben and yet have ben also in the same manner persons have bene the more bold to perpetrate and commit many detestable murders, rapes, robberies, thefts, and other felonious villainous and abominable deeds, for that they have ben always released, ayded and succoured by the sayntuarie, when so ever and as often as they or any of them have offended in any of the premises, to the moche grievous displeasure of almighty god, and extreme detriment & hurt of the kinges subiectes: In avoydinge of suche presumptuous boldenes, It is enacted ordeyned and established by the kinge our Soueraigne lord, with the assent of his lordes spiritual and temporal, and the commons in this present parliament assembled, and by auctorite of the same, that all and singular person or persons, which now be or at any time hereafter shalbe privileged in any sayntuarie, within any of the kinges dominions for murder or felony, from the first day of May next comminge, shall daily, when so ever he or they be without the house or mansion, wherein they have theyr lodging, weare a badge or cognisance, by the governour of everie sayntuarie to be assigned and appoynted, openly, vpon theyr upper garment, of the compass in length and bredth of tenne inches, vpon payne that they and every of them, when so ever and as often as any of them beynge out of the sayde house or mansion, wherein he hath his sayd lodging, shall be founden and taken without the same badge or cognisance, clearly to lose and forsaue his or theyr privilege and advantage of sayntuarie. And that it shall be lawful to all and singular the kinges subiectes to apprehend and take every such offender and offenders, beynge without his badge or cognisance, as aforesayde: and him to bring out of the sayntuarie into the next gaole, there to remaine unto the next gaole delivere, and then to be tryed accordyng to the due course and order of the same, as though he had never ben privileged in any such sayntuarie.

And also be it enacted by the auctorite aforesayd, that no manner of person, at any time hereafter beare, occupie or weare vpon them any manner of sword or knife or other weapon, other than theyr meate knyves, and the same meate knyves but at theyr meales only, vpon peyn as is above rehearsed.

Furthermore be it enacted by the sayde auctorite, that if any of the said privileged persons at any time after the sayd first day of May, fortune to be founde apprehended or taken out of his or theyr lodging, before the sonne risinge in the morninge, or after the sonne goinge downe in the eveninge, the same privileged person so founde apprehended or taken shall at the first tyme, for his so offending, have imprisonment within the same sayntuarie, by the space of ii. dayes, and at the second tyme to have imprisonment by

the space of fyve hundred and fortye yeres that he shalbe so bounden apprehended or taken out of his sayd tynning, contrary to the order before mentioned, and the same being substantially proved by indifferent persons thereto be made before the lord chanceryllour of England for the tyme being to be kept and lose his or theyr privilege of sanctuary.

It shalbe it further enacted by the sayd auctorite, that if any manner of person or persons of prebent malice at any tyme hereafter doe refuse or resist any of the governours aforesayd, or theyr deputies, in executing of theyr office in taking and imprisoning of any of the persones privileged, offendinge contrary to the tenour of this acte, that then he or they shalbe liable to make rekwemes: shall be hereafter taken out of sanctuary, and to justice and be tried as felons in every tynge.

And over that it be enacted by the auctorite aforesayd, that all manner of contractes of dettynber, trespasses & covenantes, that at any tyme hereafter shall happen to be made or grow within any of the sayde sanctuaries betwene any of the said privileged person or persons and other inhabitants within any suche sanctuary that the governours or theyr deputies of any of the same sanctuaries, where any such contract trespass or covenant shall fortune to be made grow or be, as is aforesayd, shall have full power & auctorite by this present acte, to order iudge and determine the same, according as it shalbe demly there proved afoze the sayd governour or governours.

An acte conteynyng an order for tithes through the realme. Cap. xi.



As muche as divers nymbres of evill disposed persons, inhabited in sundry countie, cities, towne, and places of this realme, having no respecte to theyr duties to almyghty god but agaynst right and good conscience have attempted to subtract and withhold in some places the whole, and in some places great partes of theyr tithes and oblations as wel personal as prediall dewe unto God and holy Church, and pursuynge suche theyr detestable enormities and injuries, have attempted in late tyme past to disobey contemne and dispute the procelle, lawes and decrees of the ecclesiastical courtes of this realme, in moze temerous and large maner than before thys time hath ben sene. For reformation of whiche sayde injuries, and for unytte and peace to be preserved amongst the kynges subiectes of this realme, our sowerayne lord the kyng, beyng supremehead in earth under God of the Church of Englande, willinge the spiritual rightes and duties of that Church, to be preserved continued and maynteyned, hath ordeyned and enacted by auctorite of this present parliament, that the tithes of his subiectes of this realme of Englande, Irelande wales and Calles and marchen of the same according to the ecclesiastical lawes and ordinances of his church of England, & after the laudable usages and customes of theyr parishes or other place where he dwelleth or occupieth, shal yeld

And pape his tythes offeringes and other duties of holy church: And that
 for suche subtraction of any of the said tythes offeringes or other duties
 the person vicar curate or other partie in that behalf charged, made by Debe
 proces of the kynges ecclesiastical lawes of the church of England against
 the person or persones so offending before his ordinary or other competent
 iudge of this realme, hauing auctoritie to here and determine the tythe of
 tithes, and also to compell the same person or persones offending to do and
 yelde theis said duties in that behalf. And in case the ordinary of the dio
 cesse, or his commissary, or the archdecon or his officiall, or any other com
 petent iudge aforesaid, for any contempt contumacy disobedience or other
 misdemeanour of the partie defendante, make information and requeste to
 any of the kynges most honorable counsell, or to the iustices of the peace of
 the shire where such offender dwelleth, to assiste or ayde the same ordinary
 commissary archdecon officiall or iudge, to order or resolute any such per
 son in any cause before rehearsed: That then he of the kynges said honorable
 counsaile, or such two Iustices of peace, wherof one to be of the Quorum, to
 whom suche informacion or requeste shalbe made, shal haue full power and
 auctoritie by vertue of this acte to attache or cause to be attached the person
 or persones agensse whom suche informacion or requeste shal be made. And
 to commit the same person or persons towarde, there to remayne without
 bayle or mainpryse, tyl that he or they shal haue found sufficient suertie, to
 be bounde by recognisaunce or other wise before the kynges said counsaile
 four, or iustice of peace, or any other lyke counsaillour or Iustice of peace, to
 the vse of our said soueraigne lord the kyng, to gyue due obedience to the
 proces pceding betwene and sentences of the ecclesiastical court of this
 realme, wherein such suite or matter for the premises shal depende or be. And
 that every of the kynges said counsaillours, or two iustices of the peace, wher
 of one to be of the Quorum as is aforesaid, shal haue full power and aucto
 rite by vertue of this acte to take receyue and receyue recognisaunces and othe
 rations in any of the causes aboue written.

It is provided also, that this acte or any thyng therein conteyned shal not
 extende to any inhabitants of the cite of London, for or concernyng any
 manner of tithes offeringe or other ecclesiasticall dueitie growen and due to be
 paid or yelden within the same cite: Because there is an other order made
 for the payment of tithes and other duties within the said cite.

It is provided also that every person and persones, beyng partie or parties
 to any suite, shal and lawfully haue his and their lawful ac
 tion demand or persecution appelles prohibitions and al other their lawful
 defences and remedies in every suche suite, accordyng to the sayde eccle
 siastical lawes, and lawes and statutes of this realme, in as ample and ly
 berall manner and forme, as they or any of them might haue had, if this
 acte had neuer bene made: Any thyng to the contrarye written not with
 standing.

It is provided also, and be it enacted by authority of the said acte
 acte

Acte for recovering of tythes, ne any thyng therein conteyned, shal take force of effect, but onely untill such tyme as the kynges hyghnes, and suche other xxii. persones, whiche his hyghnes shal name and appoynte for the making and establishing of such lawes, as his hyghnes shal assente and ratifie to be called the ecclesiastical lawes, of his church of Englands. And after the said lawes so ratified and confirmed, as is aforesaid, that then the same tythes, to be paid to every ecclesiasticall persone, accordyng to suche lawes, and none other wise.

An acte limityng an order for payment of tythes within the cite of London. Cap. xxi.

It enacted by the auctoritee of this present parliament, that al and every the citezens and inhabitants of the cite of London, and suburbs within the liberties of the same, shal at this present tyme of Ester next commyng paye unto the curates of the said cite and suburbs, all suche and lyke sommes of money for tythes oblations and other duties, as the said citezens and inhabitants by the order of my lord Chauncellour and other of the kynges moste honorable counsaill and the kynges proclamacion, paid or ought to have paid by force and vertue of the said order, at Ester that was in the yere of our lordes god, M.D. XXXV. And the same paymentes so to continue from tyme to tyme, untill such tyme as any other order or lawe shalbe made published ratified and confirmed by the kynges hyghnes, and the. xxii. persones by his grace to be named, as well for the full establishment concernyng the payment of al tythes oblations and other duties of the inhabitants within the said cite & suburbs within the liberties of the same, as for the making of other ecclesiastical lawes of this realme of Englands. And that every persone bytynge to pay as is aforesaid, shal by the commandement of the maire of London for the tyme beyng, be committed to prison, there to remaine untill such tyme as he or they have agreed with the curate and curates for the said oblations and other duties, as is aforesaid.

An acte concerning decay of houses and inclosures. Cap. xxi.

Where as in the fourth yere of the reigne of the noble kyng of famous memoire Henry the. vii. father to the kynges hyghnes our soveraigne lord that now is, it was ordeyned established & enacted amongst other thinges, that every owner of any meste, which within thre yeres next before the same. act yere, was or after that tyme shuld be letten to serve with. xii. acres of land at the least, lying in tillage & husbandry, shuld be bound to kepe & suffer in the housing & building of the same meste conveniently for the maintenance of husbandry & tillage: If any owner of a same shuld fortune to occupy any

any such messe of lande in his owne handes, he should be bound to upholde and susteyne the same, as it is before certified: And if any person happened to do the contrary, than it should be lesul unto the king, or unto the lordes, of whom any such messe of landes is holden immediately, to take perely the one halfe of the shillues and profittes of all and everye suche tenement, without payinge any thing for the same, untill suche tyme as the housing should be builded, or reedified agayn, and the landes therof converted into tillage: and that no person should haue claime or challenge any freehold in the same land or tenementes by takinge of anye such profittes, but only that it should be lesull unto the kinge and other lordes to distrayne for the paymente of the moste of the perely shillues renewes & profittes of the same, like as in the said acte more at length is contoured. By reason of which sayd statute and orde nance diuerse and many meses, which be holden immediately of the kynges highnes, within late yeres haue ben builded and reedified, and the landes there unto belonging converted ayen into therr first nature of tillage and husbandry, according to the tenour and purpose of the sayd good and gra cious acte. And all other such meses and landes as be holden immediate of any other lordes, be and remaine vnto this present tyme prostrate vnbuilted and the landes therof converted and employed ouerly into pasture, and to no other purpose, to the great decay of all maner of victuals within this realme, and to the derogation and hinderance of the common welth of the same many waies. And for as muche as in the said acte was no other reme dy provided for and agaynst of those persons that do or should holde any manours meses landes or tenementes of other lordes, for not repairinge and reedifyinge of the houses, and convertinge the sayd landes into tillage and husbandry, accordinge to the true and vertuous meaninge of the same good acte, but onely euery lord immediate mought haue and distrayne for the moste of the profittes of all and euerye suche messe and landes, decayed in fourtne aforesayd, as in the same acte amonge other thynges more at length it is declared. And also for that the lordes immediat & thother meane lordes haue not put the sayd good acte in dewe and playne execution, accordinge to the tenour therof, as they ought and mought haue done, a great nombze of the houses meses tenementes and acres of land, which at the makinge of the sayd good acte were in ruine and decay, and the landes therof converted fro tillage into pasture, do yet remain vnbuilted vnto this tyme, & all the landes to them belongyng hitherto be kept and used into pasture, and not con verted ayen into tillage, accordinge to the purpose true meanyng and in tence of the sayd acte. And so by thys meanes diuerse and sundry persones whiche holde not therr landes and tenementes immediate of the kynges highnes, haue and dayly do from tyme to tyme decaye and let fall downe no small nombze of meses and houses of husbandry: And also do conuerte the landes of the same from tillage and husbandry into pasture, to the moste pernicious example of al other being in like case, and to the greatest abuse & disorder of the naturall soyle of the ground, that by any maner of inuention

could be

could be practised or imagined. Not therefore created or devised and established by the king our sovereign lord, and by the lordes spiritual and temporal, and the commons in this present parliament assembled, and by the assents of the same, that the king our sovereign lord, his heirs and successors from and after the feast of Saint Michael the Angel, whiche shall be in the yere of our lord god. M. D. XXXVIII. shall take and have the moite of all issues revenues rentes and profits coming & growing of all singular messuages landes & tenementes now and then remaining inclosed & inclosed or converted from tillage into pasture, contrary to the tenour and true meaning of the said acte, made in the said fourth yere of king Henry the viii. and byng at this present daye so founde already by office and verdict of xii. men, or whiche hereafter at any tyme by the office and verdict shall be founde, of whom so ever they be holden, whiche have ben decayed and converted from tillage into pasture (the thre yeres next before the foresayde fourth yere of the reygne of the said noble king Henry the. viii. untill suche tyme as the owner of the said messuages landes and tenementes shall have builded and reedified agayne in and upon convenient places of the said inclosed landes and tenementes for every fifty acres, forty acres, or threty acres of land, one sufficient townement with for an honest man to dwell in, and also untill suche tyme as the same owners have converted, or caused all the said landes so misused to be converted from pasture in to tillage again, according to the nature of the soyle and course of husbandry bled in the country where any such landes do lyen, and according to the true intent and meaning of the said acte.

Provided also that whiche ever by the said acte aforesayde, that if any owner of landes and tenementes, at any tyme after the last day of April in the yere of our lord god. M. D. XXXVIII. decay any house of husbandry, having. xx. acres of arable land at the least therunto lyeng in tillage, or convert the same lande into pasture, contrary to the true intent & meaning of the said acte: than if the lord, of whom any such house and landes by the holden immediately, do not take the benefite of the said acte, concerning takinge of the moite of the profits of the same house and landes so misused, as is above rehearsed, within one yere nexte after the said decay, or within one yere nexte after the converting of the said land from tillage into pasture, the kinges highnes in default of the said lordes immediat, shall and may from and after any office founde therof have and take the one moite of all the issues revenues and profits, coming and growing of the same house and landes so decayed or converted from tillage into pasture, untill such tyme as the owner of the said house and landes so misused have reedified the same house, and converted and put the same landes again into tillage according to the nature of the soyle & course of husbandry bled in the country there, as is above rehearsed.

Provided also that the kinges highnes shall not have clayme or charge any freholde, or tenure in or to any of the premises by takinge of the moite

mortie of ante suche profits, nor that any lord of whome any such meses or landes be holden, shall lose ne forsake any their tenures service or other their right of and in the same, but only that his highnes his heires & successours shall haue full power by vertue of this present act, after the finding allwaies of ante office or offices from time to time, onely to distrayne for payment of the mortie of the yerely issues reuenues and profits of al suche landes and tenementes, as be vnto the kinges highnes limited and appointed by this act, according to the true intent and meaning of the same acte, untill suche tyme as the true intent and purpose of this present acte shall be dewely and truly put in execution in euery behalfe to al intentes, as is before declared.

Provided also that this act nor any thing therein cōtēned, be in any wise prejudiciall or hurtfull to any infant within thage of xxi. yeres, nor to any person or persons being out of the kinges realme for any issues and profits to be leuied perceiued or taken by vertu of this present acte, as long as they shalbe within age, or out of this realme, nor shall extend to any marthe or ferme groundes, nor to any manours, landes, tenementes, being enclosed at this present day, within any forest parke or chase, wherein be dere belongyng vnto the kinges hyghnes, or to any temporall lord, knight, or squier, of this realme of Englande or wales, so that they haue lycence obtēned at this present day of the kinges sayde highnes, or of anye his noble progenitors to imparke the same, and also that haue compownd with the owners therof, that the same owners be satisfied for the same: any thing in this acte to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided alwaies that this present act extēd not nor be in any wise hurtful or prejudiciall vnto any owners of any landes or tenementes in any countie of this realme of England, but only vnto al & euery the countie hereafter specified, that is to say, the countie of Lincolne, Nottingham, Leicetres, Warwike, Rutlande, Northampton, Bedford, Buckingham, Oxforde, Berke, the pleof wyght, Worcester, Heref. and Cambrige.

An acte for the preseruacion of hauens and portes in the countie of Devon & Cornwal. Cap. xliii.



Where by a statute made in this presente parliament for and concearnyng the amendinge and mayntenaunce of the hauens and portes of Blummouth, Dartmouth, Teimmouth, Falmouth, and Fowey, in the countie of Deuonshyre and Cornwal, amonge other thynges it was ordeyned and enacted, that no person or personnes, from and after the feast of Saynt Michaell tharchangell, whiche was in the xiiii. yere of the reigne of the kinges highnes that now is, should labour or worke, or cause to be laboured or wrought in any maner of tin works called streamworks, within the sayde countie of Deuonshyre or Cornwal, nyghe to anye of the fresh waters, ryuers or lowe places, dissendinge or haupng coule vnto the said hauens or portes, or ante of them, nor should labour bygge or walke anye

tyme in any of the sayd tin workes, called streime workes, onles the sayd
 dygger, owner, or washer should make or cause to be made sufficient hatches
 and ties in the end of their buddles and cordes, and therein put & lay, or cause
 to be put and layde all the sayd stones grauell and robel digged about the
 serching finding and washing of the said tinne, there to be wholly and surely
 kept by the sayd hatches & ties out and from the sayd freshe riuers or wa-
 ter courses or any of them, so that the sayd stones grauell and robel ne anie
 parte thereof, be for lacke of such hatches or ties conueied into the sayd por-
 tes and hauens, or any of them, vpon payne to forsayt for every tyme that a-
 ny owner or digger should digge or washe or cause to be digged or washed
 any tyme contrary to the forme aforesayd. x. It. Whome halfe therof to be to
 the vse of our soueraygne lord the king, and the other halfe therof to be to
 any of the inhabytauntes of the said porte townes or hauens, that wold sue
 for the same in any of the kinges courtes by originall writte, bille, playnt
 informacion or other wyse, wherein the defendant should not be admitted to
 wage his lawe, ne any protection or esoyne should be allowable, as in the
 sayd acte amonge other thinges moze playnely is expessed and declared.
 And by cause sythe the makinge of the sayd statute, then habitantes of the
 sayd porte townes or hauens, hauinge litle regarde respect loue or affectiō
 to the amendinge and mayntenance of the same townes and hauens, nor to
 their posterite, as they ben naturally bounden and oblyged, haue permitted
 and suffered the sayd owners and diggers to perseuer and continue in dig-
 ging serchynge & washing of tin, nigh the sayd freshe waters, riuers, or lowe
 places, not makinge sufficient hatches & ties, as by the said statute is prou-
 ded & ordeined without any maner of suite comensed or pursued by the said
 inhabytantes, according to the tenour of the sayd acte, to the great animation
 and encourage of thoffendoures, and to thutter vndoinge and destruction
 of the sayd porte townes, and hauens. The kynges maiestie myndynge and
 entendinge the suppoztation and mayntenance of his said townes, and ha-
 uens, and the animaduersion & correction of the sayd offendoures, hath by
 the assent of the lordes spiritual & temporal, & the commons in this present par-
 liament assembled, & by thauthoritie of the same, ordeined, enacted, & stabli-
 shed, that no pson or psons hereafter shal labour or worke, or cause to be la-
 bored or wrought in any maner of tin workes, called streime workes within
 the said countie of deuonshyre or Cornwal, nigh to any of the sayd freshe
 waters ryuers or lowe places, dissendinge or hauinge cource vnto the sayd
 hauens or portes, or any of them, nor shal labour digge or washe any tyme
 in any of the sayd tin workes, called streime workes, onles the sayd dygger,
 owner, or washer shal make, or cause to be made sufficient hatches and ties
 in the ends of theyr puddelles and cordes, and therein putte and lay, or cause
 to be put and layde all the sayd stones, grauell, and robbell, digged about
 the serchynge, fyndynge, and washynge of the sayd tyn, there to be wholly
 and surely kept by the sayd hatches and ties, out and from the sayd freshe
 riuers or water courses, or any of the: so that the sayd sand, stones, grauel, &
 robel

shall, ne any parte thereof, be for lacke of such hatchet, or tye connexed in
to the said poztres & hauens, or any of them, vpon payne to forfait for euery
time, that any owner, tynner, digger, or laborer shall digge or washe, or cause
to be digged or washed, any tynne contrary to the foraine aforesaid. x. li.
Whome halfe thereof to be to thulke of his highnes, and the other halfe thereof
to be to any of his graces subiectes, that will sue for the same in any of his
graces courtres by original writt, bill, plaint, information, or other wise, wherein
the defendant shall not be admitted to wage his lawe, ne any protection, or
essoyn shall be allowable.

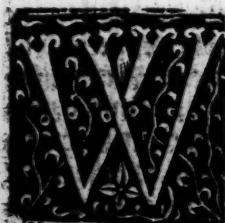
¶ And it is further enacted by chauctozitis aforesayde, that if any persone
or persones shall happen to be sued, accused, indicted, imprisoned, amerced,
condempned, or otherwise vexed or troubled in his person, landes, tynne
woikes, goodes, or cattalles by any of the minystrers or officers of any the
hynges courtres of flannerye, or by any other persone or persones for pursu-
yng or attemptyng any suite or action accoꝝdyng to this estatute, agens
suche person or persons as shall offende contrary to the fourme aforesaid:
that then al such suites accusementes, inditementes, imprisonementes, acti-
ons, condemnacions, fynes amerciamentes, and euery other acte or actes,
to be doone in any of the sayde courtres of flannerye, or elles where, by any
persone or persones agens any person or persones for supyng or attemptyng,
any suites or actions by vertue of this statute, shall be directly voyde and of
none effecte in the lawe. And that the parte sued, indicted, accused, impriso-
ned, or otherwise greued or molested for pursuyng agens any persone or per-
sones offendyng this statute, shall haue his action and remedy grounded
vpon this statute by original writt, bill, plaint, information, or otherwise
in any of the hynges courtres, agens such as shall pꝛocure, or attempt to
bere, trouble, or otherwise molest any such person or persons for sewyng or
pursuyng of the forsaithures aforesaid, and shall recouer treble damages in
that behalf, and the partie defendaunt shall not be admitted to wage his
lawe, ne any protection, essoyn, nor priuilege shall be to him allowable.

¶ And if it shall happen any persone or persones, for pursuyng any suite or
action vpon this statute, or by occasion of the same hereafter to be impriso-
ned by any maner of person or persons beyng officers or minystrers of the
courte of flannerye, their deputies or substitutes: that then euery of the iustis-
cers of peace within any of the countres aforesaid, wherein the said pris-
oner shall happen to be committed to prison, vpon credible information there-
of, takyng suerte by his discrecion for apparance of such prisoner at the
next generall sessions of peace, shall haue power and auctorite as well to
directe his warraunte to the gaoler or keeper of the prison, as to any other
person or persons, to whom the said prisoner shall be committed vnto, com-
maundyng hym or them vpon payne of forfaiture of xl. li. to deliuer and
put at large the said prisoner or prisoners, whiche if he refuse so to do, then
euery such offender shall lose and forfeit the said xl. li. Whome halfe of
whiche forfaiture to be to the use of our soveraine lord the king, & the other
C. ii. halfe

halfe to him that is greued by reason of suche imprisonment, to be recovered in maner and forme aforesaid. And the defendante in any action or suite for the same shal not wage his law, ne haue any esson or protection allowed. And if it shal appere byon thappearance of suche prisoner at the quarter sessions by examination of the Justiciars of peace there beinge, that he was imprisoned contrary to the fourme of this statute: that than he shal be forthwith dismissed and thereby discharged. And if he were lawfully imprisoned for any other iuste cause, than to be remaunded to prison by the discretion of the said Justiciars.

¶ Provided alway, that this acte or any thyng therein conteyned be not in any wyse prejudiciall or hurtfull to any of the officers of the stannerie, no to any of their lawfull liberties, priuileges, vsages, lawes, or customes, lawinge onely in the cases and prouisions contained and lytted within this present acte, which shall alway be put in execution, accoꝝdyng to the tenour of this acte: any vsage custome priuilege or dinauce or libertie to the contrary therof not withstanding.

¶ An acte for recontynnyng of certeyne liberties and franchises heretofore taken from the crowne. Cap. rrv.



¶ Here vsuers of the moſte auncient prerogatiues and authorities of Juſtice, apperteynyng to the imperial crowne of this realme, haue bene ſeuered and taken fro the ſame by ſondye gyftes of the kinges moſt noble progenitours kynges of this realme, to the great diminution and detriment of the roiall eſtate of the ſame, and to the hyndrance & great delaye of Juſtice. For refoꝝmacion wherof be it enacted by auctoritie of this preſent parliament, that no perſone or perſons, of what eſtate or degre ſo euer they be of, from the firſt daye of July, which ſhal be in the yere of our lord god, M.D.XXXVI. ſhal haue any power or auctoritie to pardon or remytte any treaſons, murders, manſlaughters, or any kyndes of felonies, what ſo euer they be: noꝝ any accuſaſſes to any treaſons, murders, manſlaughters, or felonies, or any viſcountes for any ſuch offences afoꝝſaid, committed, perpetrated, done, or diſculged, or hereafter to be committed, done, or diſculged by or agaynſt any perſon or perſones in any parties of this realme, wailes, or the marches of the ſame, but that the kynges hyghnes, his heires and ſuccellours kynges of this realme, ſhall haue the hole and ſole power and auctoritie therof vnyted and knyt to the imperial crowne of this realme, as of good right and equitie it apperteyneth, any grauntes, vsages, preſcription, act or actes of parliament, or any other thyng to the contrary hereof not withſtanding.

¶ And be it alſo enacted by auctoritie afoꝝſaide, that no perſon or perſons of what eſtate, degre, or condition ſo euer they be, from the ſaid firſt daye of July, ſhall haue any power or auctoritie to make any Juſtices ofyre, Juſtices of aſſiſe, Juſtices of peace, or Juſtices of gaole deliuerie: but that all ſuch

And officers and ministers shalbe made by letters patentes under the kinges great seale, in the name and by auctorite of the kinges highnes, and his heires kinges of this realme, in al Wyres, countiees, countiees palantine, and other places of this realme, wales, and marches of the same, or in any other his dominions, at thei pleasure and wylles, in suche maner as forme as Justices of Eyre, Justices of assise, Justices of peace, and Justices of gaole deliuerie be commonly made in every Wyre of this realme, any grauntes, vsages, prescriptions, allowance, acte or actes of parliament, or any other thinge or thinges to the contrary therof not withstandinge.

And be it further enacted by auctorite of this presente parliament, that all originall writtes, and iudicial writtes, and all maner of euidementes of treason, felony, and trespassse, and all maner of proces to be made vppon the same in euery countie palantine and other libertie within this realme of Englande, wales, and marches of the same, shall from the sayd first day of July, be made onely in the name of our sayd soueraigne lord the kynge, & his heires kinges of England. And that euery parson or persons, hauinge suche countie palantine, or any other suche libertie to make suche originals iudicials, or other processe of Justice, shall make the Tesse in the said original writtes and iudicial in the name of that same person or persons, that haue suche countie palantine or libertie. And that in euery writte and inditement that shall be made within any suche countie palantine or libertie, after the sayd fyrste day of Julye nexte commynge, wherby it shalbe supposed any thyng to be done agaynst the kinges peace, shall be made and supposed to be done onely agaynst the kinges peace, his heires and successours, and not agaynst the peace, of any other person or persons, whatso euer they be, anie acte of parliament graunte, custome, vsage, or allowance in Eyre before this time had, graunted, or vsed to the contrary not withstandinge.

Provided alway, that Justices of assises, Justices of gaole deliuerie, & Justices of peace to be made and assigned by the kinges highnes within the countie palantie of Lancaster, shall be made and ordeyned by commission vnder the kinges vsual seale of Lancaster, in maner and forme as hath ben accustomed, anie thing in this acte to the contrary therof not withstandinge.

Provided also, that all cities, boroughes, and townes corporate within this realme, whiche haue libertie, power, and auctorite to haue Justices of peace, or Justices of gaole deliuerie, shall still haue and enioye theyr liberties and auctorities in that behalfe, after suche lyke maner as they haue ben accustomed, without any alteration by occasion of this acte, any thyng in this acte, or in any article therein conteyned to the contrary thereof not withstandinge.

And it is ordeyned by auctorite aforesayd, that al stewardes, baryffes, and other ministers of any libertie or franchises, whiche in tyme past haue vsed or ought to attende vpon the Justices of assise, Justices of gaole deliuerie, and Justices of the peace at large in any countie, shalbe attendat

to the Justices of the Peace, Justices of gaole deliverye, and Justices of peace
of the same shires, wherein such liberties and franchises be, and make due
execution of all p[ro]cesses to them to be directed, for the ministration of iustice within
in such liberties or franchises. And that also all such bailiffes, or their depu-
ties or deputies, shall give their attendance and assistance upon the shires
to gether with the shireffes bailiffes at all courttes of gaole deliverye from
time to time for execution of prisoners accordyng to iustice.

And it is ordained alwayes, that the article here above rehearsed, shall not in any
wise be prejudicial to any stewardes or bailiffes of any cities, boroughes,
or townes corporate set in any shire of this realme, whiche have p[re]sented
that they shoulde not be compelled to attend or appeere out of suche cities, bor-
oughes, or townes, wherein they inhabite, but that every such cite, borough
and town corporate, that use these said p[re]villeges and liberties, as heretofore
they have accustomed: any thinge in any of the article above rehearsed to
the contrary therof not withstanding.

And it is further enacted by auctorite aforesaid, that the king our sover-
eyn lord, his heires and successours kinges of this realme, from the first day of July next comynge, shall have all maner fines, issues, amercia-
mentes and forfaytures, that shalbe lost, forfayte, or assessed, by or upon any
stewardes, bailiffes, or any other ministers, or officers of any franchises or li-
berties for none execution, or misexecution or insufficient retournes of suche
writtes, warranttes, p[re]ceptes, or other p[ro]cess, which to them or any of them
or to any their deputie or deputies shall be directed, or for any contempte or
other misdeemeanour, what so ever it be, concernyng their offices in and for
the due execution or administration of iustice, any graunte or allowance,
or other thinge to the contrary hereof not withstanding. And that the amercia-
mentes for insufficient retournes of writtes or other p[ro]cess made by stewardes
or bailiffes of liberties or franchises, having retournes of writtes and ex-
ecution of the same, shalbe put and set upon the hedes of suche stewardes or
bailiffes, and not upon the shireffes.

And furthermoze it is enacted by auctorite aforesaid, that purtiepoints
assigned by the kinges commission for p[ro]visions of his grace, the queene, or
their chylde, shall and may p[ro]vide all vitayles, coine, and other hyndes
of thinges, what so ever it be, accordyng to their commissions, as well within
liberties & franchises as without: any grauntes, allowance, or other thinge
to the contrary or let therof not withstanding.

And it is ordained alwayes, that suche purtiepoints shall observe the statutes for
them p[ro]vided in every behalfe.

And over this it is ordeyned by auctorite aforesaid, that in al such pla-
ces, where so ever the kinges hyghnes in his owne moste royall personne
shal come, to rest, tary, abyde, or make his repose within this realme or
in his dominions, within liberty or without: then and within the cite
appointed and accustomed to his grace's court, duringe the tyme of his
abode: his grace, his stewardes, chamberlaine, cojners, and all other his mi-
nisters,

offices, shall & may kepe thei courttes for iustices & execute thei offices as shall apperteyne to them, according to the lawes, custome & statutes of this realme, as well within liberties as without. And his graces clerkes of the market, and none other duringe the same tyme, as well within liberties as without, shall exercise the office of clerke of the market any privilege, graunt, allowance or other thinge to the contrary hereof not withstanding.

¶ Provided alway, that this article next afore rehearsed, or any thing therein conteyned, be not in any wyse prejudiciall to the cite of London, but that the same cite shall have and use suche liberties as they mought by this article had never be made.

¶ And be it also enacted by auctorite also sayd that all and every statute, acte and actes, heretofore made, and beinge in force, agaynst sheriffes, theyr undersheriffes, bayliffes, or other ministers for makinge or retouninge of panelles or Juries, or for due execution and servinge of any wytes or other processe, or for takinge of fees, or for reformation of extortions, or for any other thinge or thinges concerninge their offices, and al pernes and penalties conteyned in every such statute, shall from henceforth be extended to al Stewards bayliffes and other ministers and officers of liberties & franchises, havinge retournes, of wytes & executions therof, in lyke maner forme and condition, as they extende to Shireffes thei under Shireffes, bayliffes, or other ministers, and as if the sayd Stewards, bayliffes or other ministers or officers of liberties and franchises, had ben specially and particularly named and rehearsed in suche statutes.

¶ Provided alway, that this article next above rehearsed, shall not be prejudiciall to any Stewarde, bayliffes of franchises, or to thei deputie or deputies, or thei clerkes, for exercisinge and occupyinge their offices once and above one yere; but that they and every of them may kepe and occupye thei sayd offices for so longe tyme as they be or hereafter shall be geuen to them as if this article nexte afore rehearsed had never ben made, any of the sayde actes to be expounded and taken agaynst them or anye of them to the contrarye thereof not withstandinge.

¶ And it is enacted by auctorite also sayd, that all suche iustices to be made, as is afore rehearsed in this acte, shall have auctorities power to kepe and holde their sessions of peace, and to delivert the same gaolles from tyme to tyme onely within the same liberties and franchises, and in suche places, and in none other places, by reason of auctoritie of that commissiō; and to do and execute all other thinges within the same, in as ample and large maner, as any other iustices of peace and gaole delivertie, in any wyte within this realme may do and have auctoritie to do; any acte graunt bye custome and allowance heretofore had made or used, or any article in this present acte made to the contrary not withstandinge.

¶ Provided alwayes, that al and singular Justices of the peace, gaole delivertie, and assise, hereafter to be made named and appointed by the kinges highnes, his heires and successours, within any libertie, where anye suche

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Justice of peace, gaole deliuerie, or assise, or any of them have ben made by any person or persons, by virtue or auctoritie of any letters patentis, or the gyste or graunte of our soueraygne lord the kinge, or his mooste noble progenitours kinges of this realme, or other wyse shall sitte and kepe theys sessions gaole deliuerie and assises, onely in suche place and places, as the Justices of the sayed liberttes lately have ben comonly vled within the sayd liberttes. And that no person or persons, within the sayd liberttes or any of them, shall be hereafter in no wyse compelled by auctoritie of this acte, to appeere out of the sayd liberttes before any other Justices of assise, gaole deliuerie, or of the peace: than before suche Justices as shall be named and assigned to sit and be by the kinges highnes his heires & successours, within the sayd liberttes and fourme abovesayd. And that this acte shall not extend or be expounded or taken to any other liberttie priuilege or franchises graunted vled or had to any person or persons, other than before in this present acte is expessed & playnly declared and reherfed: any thinge in this acte to the contrary notwithstanding, and as if this acte had neuer ben made.

¶ Provided alwayes, that this acte nor any thinge therein conteyned, be in any wyse hurtfull or prejudiciall vnto sir Thomas Englesfeld knight iustice of the countie palantine of Chester and Flint, nor to his deputie or deputies, nor to any of them, of for or concerninge the office of iustice or iusticer of the sayde countie palantine and Flint, nor for or concerning any fees profittes or advantages to the same office in any maner wyse apperteynyng or belonging, but that the sayde sir Thomas, his deputie and deputies and euery of them inay lawfully haue occupie and exercise the sayd office, and also receyue and take to theyr owne vse, all maner profittes commodities and advantages to the sayde office belonging or appertayninge, actoydinge to the tenour purpourt and effecte of suche letters patentis, as before this time were vnto the same sir Thomas made vnder the seale of the sayde countie palantine, or vnder any other seale, by our sayde soueraygne lord the king that now is, of for or concerninge the sayde office, and other the premisses, or any parcell therof in as ample and large maner, as though this acte had neuer ben had ne made: any thing in this acte conteyned to the contrary, in any wyse notwithstandinge.

¶ Provided alway, that this acte ne any thinge therein conteyned, be in any wyse prejudiciall or hurtfull to any cite, borough, or towne copozate, by what name or names so euer they or any of theym be incorpозate, and theyr successours, and the successours of euery of them, of for any maner of liberttes priuilege customes and ancient vsages and franchises: And also of al maner of fines issues and amerciaimentes and forsaftures, which they or any of them haue of the graunt or grauntes of our sayde soueraygne lord the king, or of any of his noble progenitours kinges of this realme of England: but the sayd cites boroughes and townes copozate and euery of the and theyr successours, may haue take leuie and enioye all and euery such lawful liberttes priuileges franchises customes & vsages in as ample and large

large maner, and in like forme, and condicion as they & euery of them haue lawfully taken vsed, and had the same before the makinge of this acte: any thing in this acte to the contrary notwithstandinge, and as if this acte had neuer be had ne made.

Prouided alway and be it enacted, that Thomas now byshop of Elye & his successours byshoppes of Elye, and theyr tempozall stewarde of the yle of Elye for the time beinge, and euery of them, shall from henceforth be iustices of pece within the sayd yle, and shall vse and exercise all maner of thynges within the same yle, that apperteyneth or belongeth to any Iustices of peace within any countie of this realme of Englande, to do, exercise, and vse by vertu and auctoritie that they be iustices of peace, in as ample and large maner as any other iustices of peace, in any countie within this realme haue or myght do, exercise, or vse any thinge or thinges in this acte conteyned to the contrary notwithstandinge.

Prouided alway and be it enacted, that Cuthbert now byshop of Dutham, and his successours byshops of Dutham, and theyr tempozall chauncellour of the countie palantine of Dutham for the time being, and euery of them, shall from henceforth be iustices of peace within the sayd county palatine of Dutham, and shall exercise & vse all maner thinges within the same countie palatine, that apperteyneth or belongeth to anye Iustice of peace within any countie of this realme of Englande, to do, exercise, & vse, by vertue and auctorite that they be iustices of peace, in as ample and large maner as any other iustices of peace in any countie within this realme haue or myght do exercise or vse: any thinge or thinges in this acte conteyned to the contrary notwithstandinge.

Prouided alway & be it enacted, that Edward now archebishop of yorke and his successours archebishops of Yozke, and theyr tempozall chancelloz of the Myze & libertie of Heram, otherwile called Hertoldesham, for the time being and euery of them, shall from henceforth be iustices of peace within the sayd Myze and libertie of Heram, other wyle called Hertoldesham: and shall exercise and vse al maner thinges within the sayd Myze and libertie, that apperteyneth or belongeth to any Iustice of peace within any countie of this realme of Englande, to do exercise and vse by vertu & auctoritie that they be Iustices of peace, in as large and ample maner as anye other Iustice of peace in anye countie within this realme haue or myght do exercise or vse: any thing or thinges in this acte conteyned to the contrary notwithstandinge.

An acte for punishment of sturdy bacaboundes and beggers. Cap. xxvi.



WHERE IN AN acte made at Westminister in the. xxiij. yere of the regne of our Soueraygne Lorde kynge. HENRY the VIII. amonge other thinges it was ordeyned, established, & enacted, that euery stronge and ballant begger and bacabounde, after

he were whipped for his bacabounde and ydelnes, shulde departe from the place where he was whipped, directly unto such towne hundred and countie, where he was borne, or where he had dwelled by the space of the yeres nexte before, there to continue and abyde. And also that aged poore and impotent people shoulde in likewise repaire into every hundred within the said countie, there to remaine and continue, according to the meaning & purpose of the saide acte, upon paines limited in the same, as in the same acte more plainly appereth.

And for as muche as it was not provided in the sayde acte, how and in what wise the saide poore people and surdy bacaboundes shulde be ordered at theyr repaie, and at theyr coming into theyr countreys, nor how the inhabitants of every hundred shulde be charged for the reliefe of the same poore people, nor yet for the setting and keeping in worke and labour of the aforesaid balaunt bacaboundes at theyr said repaie into every hundred of this realme. It is therefore nowe ordeined, established, and enacted, by the kyng our soueraigne lord, the lordes spirituall and temporell, and the commons in this present parliament assembled, and by thauentie of the same that all and euery the Mayres, Aldermenne, Shireffes, Baylyffes, Constables, householders, and all other heed officers and ministers of every citie, shire, towne, and parishes of this realme, at the repaie and cominge thither of suche poore creature or surdy bacabounde, as is conteyned in the sayde acte, shall moste charitably receyue the same, and order the same in manner and forme followinge. That is to saye that all the gouernours and ministers of every of the same citie, shire, towne, hundredes, wapentakes, lathes, rapes, rydinges, tythinges, hamlettes and parishes, as well within libertie as without, shall not onely succour fynde and kepe all and euery of the same poore people, by way of voluntary and charitable almes, within euery of the same citie, shire, towne, hundredes, wapentakes, lathes, rapes, tythinges, hamlettes, and parishes as wel within libertie as without, to be succoured, relyued, and holpen with suche and conuenient moste large almes, as shall be thought meete by theyr discretions, in suche wise as none of them of very necessitie shall be compelled to wander ydelly, and go openly in begginge, to aske almes in any of the same citie, shire, towne, or parishes: but also to cause and to compell all & euery the saide surdy bacaboundes and balaunte beggers to be sette and kept to continual labour, in suche wise as by theyr sayde labours they and euery of them maye gette theyr owne liuinges, with the continual labour of their owne handes. And euery Mayre, aldermen, Shireffe, baylyffe, constable, and all other heed officers and ministers of every countie, citie, towne, and parishes within this realme, or within any the kinges dominions, as wel within libertie as without, and all other personnes inhabiting within any of the same, shall and shal theym selves cause and direct the poore people, balaunt beggers, and surdy bacaboundes, in suche wise as the effecte of this present acte shall be duely observed, and put in due execution, vppon paynes that

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that every parish shall lose and forsaite .xx.s. for every moneth in which it is omitted and undone: And that to be inquired of at every quarter sessions, and to be duly presented and founde by the verdict of .xii. men.

Item it is further enacted by thauctoiztie aforesayd, that all and euery person or persones, being whipped or sente vnto thei countreys, in fourme aforesayde, at the ende of every tenn miles shal repaye vnto the constable of any parish, beinge directly in his way towarde the countie and place wher vnto he is so appoynted: and vpon sighte of his letters, given vnto him at the time of his whippinge and sendinge of him into the same his countrey, euery of the sayd constables and other the kinges subiectes, shal and may furnishe him with competent meate, drinke, & lodgyng for one night onely, or for one meale, and so he shall continue his daylye journey of tenn miles, vntill suche tyme as he shall come vnto the hundred and place wher vnto he is assigned to go.

*to be relieved
every ten miles*

Item it is enacted, by thauctoiztie aforesayd, that al and euery ydell person and persons rufflers, callinge them selues saruyng men, as wel wyth in the cite of London, as within all other cities, wities, townes, parishes, and hamlettes of this realme hauing no maysters, shall be entreated, bled and ordered in euery behalfe, and to all intentes, as is conteyned and specified, as well in the aforesayde former acte, as in this present acte, vpon the payne aforesayd, to be losse and forsaite by the Mayre, Aldermen, Shyreffes, baylyffes, burgesses, ministers, and inhabytauntes of euery of the same cities, boroughes and townes corporate, where any suche ruffler shall be suffered to be resiaunt and abiding be the space of two daies, and not punished in fourme here after declared.

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Item it is ordeyned and enacted by the auctozitie aforesayde, that al and euery the mayres, gouernours and head officers of euery cite borough and towne corporate, and the churche wardens; or two others of euery parish of this realme, that in good and charitable wyse take suche discrete and conuenient order by gatheringe and procuring of such charitable and holu-carte almes of the good chrysten people within the same wyth boxes euery sonday, holy day, and other festiual day, or otherwise amonge them selves in suche good and discrete wise, as the poore, impotent, lame, feble, sicke, and diseased people, beinge not able to worke, may be prouided, holpen and relieved, so that in no wyse they nor none of them be suffered to go openly in begginge. And that such as be lusty, or hauinge their limmes, stronge enough to labour, may be dayly kepte in continuall labour, wherby euery one of them may get thei owne sustinaunce and liuinge with their owne handes, vpon payne that all and euery the mayres, gouernours, aldermen, head officers and others the kinges officers and ministers of euery of the sayd cities, boroughes, townes corporate, hundredes, parishes, and hamlettes, shall lese and forsaite for euery moneth that it is omitted and undone the summe of .xx.s.

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Item it is enacted by the auctorite aforesaid, that all leprouse and pox bedorded creatures, what so ever they be, may at their owne libertie remaine and continue in suche place where they be, and shall not be compelled to repayre into theyr countie, accordinge to the tenour and purport of thasore sayd former acte, any thing conteyned in the same acte, or in thys present acte to the contrary notwithstanding.

Item it is also enacted by the auctorite aforesaid, that the same gouvernours, aldermen, iustices of peace, and heere officers, bayliffes, and constables of every cite, borough, towne, hundred, and parish of thys realme, shall have auctorite by vertue of this present acte, to take up all and synghuler childzen in every parish within their limittes, that be not greued with any notable disease or sickenes, and bringe under the age of fourtene yeres and aboue the age of fine yeres, in begging or idelnes, and to appoint them to masters of husbandry or other craftes or labourers to be taught, by the which they may get theyr spynge, when they shall come to age, gyvinge to them of the sayde charitable collections, as it may conveniently be susteyned and borne, at a payment to entre into suche service. And if any about the age of twelue yeres, and under the age of sixtene yeres refuse suche service, or departe from the same without cause reasonable, than they to be arrested and apprehended by any of the sayd officers, and to be brought before the Mayor, Aldermen, Iustices of the peace, Bayliffes, gouvernours, Constables, or other officers and ministers of that limite, or circuite, where they be taken: And if it shall appere by his or their confession, or other sufficient testimony before the same officers and ministers, that he or they have refused to serve, or have departed from theyr service without cause reasonable, he shall than in the parish, where he was apprehended, be openly whipped with roddes by the discretion of the sayd gouvernours, or bayliffes, and thereupon to be sente agayne unto his service: and so to be served, as often as he shall be apprehended and convicted in fourme aforesayde. And if any person or persons refuse to execute and do the sayd punishment at the commandement of any of the sayd gouvernours, aldermen, Iustices of peace, and others the sayd officers and ministers: then he or they so refusinge the same, shall be set in the stocks by the space of two dayes, without havinge of any other sustenance, savinge onely breade and water.

Item it is also enacted by the auctorite aforesaid, that all and every the aforesayde Mayor, gouvernours, Aldermen, and every the Iustices of the peace, as well within lycencies as without, shall ones in every moneth or oftener if neede shall require, commande a priue or secrete serche to be made within every cite and ward, towne, hundred, parish, and hamlet, of thys realme, in suche tyme of the nyght and day, as they shall thinke convenient, to the entente that all ruffelars, furdle waraboundes, and valseunt beggetts, and other suspecte personnes, maye be by suche meanes apprehended, taken, and ordered accordinge to the purporte and message of thys present acte, and other wyse to be used accordinge to the lawes

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labies of this realme: And that all and every persons and persones obeye, ayde, assiste, and mainteyne from time to tyme, all and euerie the con-maundementes of the saide Justices of peace and others heere officers aforesaid, for and concerning the making of all the saide ferches, and the apprehending of al and euerie the suspect persons aforesaid, upon paine to make fine for not doyng of the same, at the next quarter sessions, as it shalbe thought by the discretion of the maires, governours aldermen and iustices of peace.

Item it is enacted by thautozite aforesaid, that no person nor persons at any time after the feast of saint John Baptist next comyng, shal use kepe and mainteyne any open plateng house or place for comon bowling, dicing, carding, clothe, tennis, or other unlawfull games, rakyng in money to the same or other gayne, in any place of this realme, upon payne to forsaite four markes for every moneth that any such unlawfull houses or games shal be openly kepte used and maynteyned in any place within this realme, be it within liberties or without: Any graunte heretofore made to any person or persons in any wise not withstanding.

Item it is enacted by thautozite aforesaid, that every preacher person vicar curate of this realme as well in all and euerie their sermons, collacions, byddinges of the beades, as in tyme of all confessions, and at the making of the wylles or testaments of any persons at all times of the yere, shal exhort, moue, stirre, and prouoke people to be liberal & bountifull to extend theyr good and charitable almes and contributions from tyme to tyme, for and toward the comfort and reliefe of the saide poore, impotent, derrepite, indigent, and neddy people, as for the setting and keeping to continual worke and labour of the saide rufflers, sturdy vacaboundes, and valiant beggers, in every cite, ward, towne, hundred, and parische of this realme, as well within liberties as without.

Item it is enacted by thautozite aforesaid, that if any of the aforesaid rufflers, sturdy vacaboundes, and valiant beggers, after such tyme as they haue ben ones apprehended, taken, whipped, and sente into any cite, ward, towne, hundred, or parische, by any Justice of peace, maires, constable, bayliffe, or any other the kinges officers and ministers, happen to wander, loyter, or idelly to vse them selves and playe the vacaboundes, and willingly absente them selves from suche labour and occupation, as he or they shal be appoynted vnto within any cite, ward, towne, hamlet, hundred, or parische wherunto he or they haue ben appoynted in maner & forme afoze: aiter that then he or they being estones apprehended & taken of suspicious of idelnes in any pryue ferches aforesaid or otherwise, shal be broughte before the next iustice of peace: and upon due examinations & pfoe of the continuance of his said loytering, wandryng in idelnes, or vacabundy, shal be estones not onely whipped agayne, and sent into the cite, ward, towne, hundred, or parische, wherunto he was fyrst appoynted, but also shal haue the upper parte of the gypstelle of his righte rare cleane cutte of: so as hit maye appere for a perpetuall token after that tyme that he hath bene a contem-

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none of the goods whiche of the common welthe. And that every constable of the
 parishes with the assistance of the most substantiall of every such parishes
 when any such ruffler or bacabund shall happen thus to be taken, shall do or
 cause to be done this present execution, as wel in shipping as in cutting of
 the said upper gristle of the eare of every suche ruffler or sturdy bacabund
 or ballant begger, upon payne to lese and forsaite true marke, for every
 time that he shall refuse to do or cause to be done & same execution of & sin-
 gular inhabitants of the said citie, ward, towne, hundred, or parishes shall
 assist & aide the said constables in execution of the premises to the best of their
 power with good diligence, & without contradiction, upon the paines aforesaid.
 Item it is further enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that if any ruffler
 or sturdy bacabund, or ballant begger, not hauyng the upper parte of the
 right eare, and being cut of, as is aforesaid, happen to be apprehended and
 taken in or at any pyrie serche, as aforesaid, at any other time wandryng
 in idelnes, in or without any citie, ward, towne, parishes, or hamlet, within
 this realme, wherunto he or they haue ben assigned, & dewly proued before
 any Justice of peace, that he or they haue ben assigned, and hath not applyed,
 nor doth not apply such labours as he or they haue ben assigned vnto, or be
 not in seruice with any maister: that then he or they so take marked and ha-
 uyng the upper parte of the right eare cutte of, as is aforesaid, shall be by
 any of the said justices of peace sente vnto the next gaole, there to remaine
 without bayle or mainpryse vntill the next quarter sessions, and there to be
 indicted of wandryng loyterng and idelnes, & shall be arraigned of the same.
 And if he or they shall happen to be founde guilty by verdict confession or
 otherwise, of for and vpon the same continuall loytringe and idelnes, then
 every such sturdy bacabund, and ballant begger, so founde guilty and con-
 demned, shall haue iugement to suffer peines & execution of death, as a felon
 and as enemies of the common welth, and to lose and forsaite al their landes
 and goodes as felons do in all other causes within this realme.
 Item it is enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that the knyght marshal for
 the time being, shall haue full power and auctorite by vertue of this present
 acte, to serche do & put in due & playne execution al and euery the contentes
 as well of the aforesaid former acte as of this present acte, & of & vpon all such
 rufflers sturdy bacabundes, and ballant beggers men and women, as in
 any wise shall frequent hunt or loyter masterles & out of seruice, in & about
 the court, where so euer the kinges highnes chaunce to be resiant with his
 most honorable householde in any place of this realme.
 And for the aduoiding of al such inconueniencies and infections as often
 tyme haue and dayly do chaunce among the people by comen and open do-
 les, and that mooste commonly vnto suche doles many persons do resorte,
 which haue no neede of the same: It is therfore enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid,
 that no manner of person or persons shall make or cause to be made any
 suche common or open dole, or shall geue any redy money in almesse, other-
 wise than to the common boxes, and common gatheringes in euery citie,

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before, said, the parties and families, and to the passing in the same
 the redemption of all and every the goods and chattels, real and per-
 sonal collected in this present act, upon paine to lose and forfeit the same
 the value of all such redemptory money as shall be given in alms, to come
 to the tenour and purpose of the same. And that every person and persons
 of this Realme, bodies politike, corporate, and others, that at any time
 charged, leaseth, nonethly, or whels, to give unto distribute any redemptory money
 by sale, by sale, or other satisfaction to poore people in any place within
 this Realme, shall from the feast of Michaelmas next coming, give and dis-
 tribute the same money, or the value of all such by sale, by sale, or satisfaction
 unto such common stores, to the intent the same may be employed, to
 the relieving of the said poore, needy, sick, old, and indigent persons
 and also towarde the setting in woork of the said such and poore vnder
 handes and valiant beggers: and every of the said person and persons,
 bodies politike corporate, and others, shall be utterly discharged against all
 every other person and persons of any sort in any manner of bonds or grantees
 what so ever they be, for making of any of the same common stores, or others
 the foresaid distributions at any time of the year as the money and true
 value of the same be given unto the stores, towarde the common almes and
 reliefe of the poore people in shewre aforesaid.
 And to the intent that the money gathered towarde the reliefe of poore
 as is aforesaid, shall be employed & converted to such charitable uses and
 purposes, by this present act by limited, and no parte thereof to be applied
 by such as shall have the collection thereof. It is therefore ordained and
 enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the church wardens of every par-
 ish, callinge unto them five or foure of their honest neighbours, shall have
 full power & authority every quarter of the year, or oftener by their discretion
 and to commande every such collector to appeere before them, to render
 and make accompt of all summes of money as by them shall be gathered, and
 howe in what manner it was employed. And if upon any accompt it shall be
 found, perceived, or founde, that any such collector hath not committed nor
 employed the money by him gathered to such uses and intents, as be pre-
 scribed by this act, or to have imbeilled any parte thereof, that then every
 such offender shall be attaché & apprehended by them, before whome he
 shall make accompt, and shall immediately be brought before a iustice of
 peace, if it be in any shire: or before a maye or bailif, if it be in a citie, borough
 or towne corporate, which iustice, maye or bailif, shall cause the
 offender to be committed to ward and prison, there to remaine, untill such
 time as he shall have fully restored and paid to the collectors of the same
 almes within the parishes wherhe he offendeth, all such summes of mo-
 ney as by him shall so be imbeilled, committed, or employed to other uses or
 intents, than by this act be limited: And also that he shall have payed the
 expenses, wherof a penalty is here limited, employed & committed to
 the uses and intents prescribed and ordained in this act.

Item it is ordered by the auctorite aforesaid, that the parson, vicar, or rector, or some other honest man of every parish of this realme, without asking or demanding any thing for the same, shall kepe a booke of rekeninge and therein shall entre bytise, & make mencion from time to time, in one place or parte of the booke, as well of al and every suche sommes of money, as shal be gathered by the charitable almes of the inhabitautes of every of the same parishes, as to make mencion in one other place of the same booke, how, by whom, and in what wise anie parte of the same money shal be spent; And so from yere to yere, from one yere to an other yere, he shall kepe a new booke, the booke to be bought and paid for by the constable and churchwardens, for the time being, of the common collections, and alwayes shal remayne in the custody of two or thre of the, or of some other indifferent man, by the consentes, and not with the parson, vicar, or parische priest.

Item it is ordered by the sayd auctorite, that two or thre tymes in every yere, two or thre of every parische within cities, and townes corporate, by the assignement & appointment of the maire, aldermen, governour, bayliffe, or constable, some in one weke, and some an other weke, shall name and appoynte certayne of the sayd pooze people, foundes of the common almes, to collecte and gather broken meates and fragmentes, and the refuse drynke of every householder, within every such parische, whiche shalbe by their discretions distributed evenly amonge the pooze people, found of the sayd common almes, as they by their discretions shall thinke good.

Item it is ordered by the sayd auctorite, that at every bayliffe, constable, churchwardens, or others the collectours of the sayd almes, which shal at any tyme forbear the, owne husynes and labour, and shall trouble or take any paynes in and about the execution of any parte of this present act, shall have and take for his and their so doyng such competent wages of the money of the sayd comon collections, as by the discretion of the maire, aldermen, governour, bayliffe, or iudices of peate, and others of the parish shall be thought good and resonable, whiche shal be appointed unto them from tyme to tyme, alwayes at the makinge of their accountes befoze the whole parische aforesaid.

Item the money of all and every the foresayd free and charitable collections, shal be kepte in the common coffre or boxe, standing in the church of every parische, or elles shalbe committed unto the handes and saufe custodie of anie other suche good and substanciall trusty man, as they can agree upon, where they shal thinke it alwayes sure and safe, and where it may be surely deliuered unto the uses befoze expessed from time to time, as necessitie shall require, making alwayes mencion therof in two severall places of the sayd booke, as it is befoze declared, as oftentimes as anie parte thereof shall be spent or gathered.

Item it is ordered by the sayd auctorite, that the inhabitautes of every parish of this realme, shall becom to make the foresayd free, charitable, and godlie collections, and gatheringes, in every sondaie and holy daie next after

after the day of saint John Baptist next commynge, until so that robynne
perely unto the last day of the next parliament. And every person making
default, and not putting all and every the promises in due and perfect exe-
cution: according to the power, behavours, and duties, that he and
forsaide. x. s. for every moneth, in which he it is omitted and broken. And all
Justices of peace, in every countie and libertie of this realme, shall have full
power and auctoritie, by vertue of this present acte, to enquire, here, order,
and determine all and every the promises, in manner and forme to all the
sences, as it is before declared.

¶ Finally it is ordeined, enacted, and established by the auctoritie aforesaid,
that that this present act shall begyn to take effecte, & to be put in execution
with the foresaid former acte, the morowe after the day of saint Michael the
archangel next commynge, and that continue unto the last day of the next
parliament. And that the one moztie of al and every the forsaides aforesaid,
shalbe to thuse of the common boxe, to the reliefe of the poore, decrepitate,
sicke and indigent & impotent people, being within any citie, towne, hundred
or parishes, where any suche offence is committed: and the other moztie to hym
or them that wyl sue for the same by byl action of dett paynt or otherwise in
any court of recorde, or court baron of this realme, in which action no wages
of lawe, eslopn, or protection shalbe allowed.

¶ And provided alwayes, that this present acte shall not be harmful or prejudi-
ciall unto any person or persons for giving or sending of any reedie money,
or of any fragmēttes or broken meate or drinke unto any person or persons,
inhabited within the parishes, where he dwelleth, or to any persons, but that
they and every of them, of their charite, make use, sende, order, give and dis-
pose the same to any person or persons aforesaid, as they wolt them selves,
either within their owne houses, or elles where: any thing contained in this
present acte, to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

¶ And be it further enacted by auctoritie aforesaid, that they whiche by the
auctoritie of this acte, shall cause the eares of any offender to be cutte of, in
forme before mencioned, shall certifie in writinge indented under their seales
at the next general sessions of the peace, that shall be kepte in any citie, towne,
borough, or vice, unto the clerke of the peace of the same citie, towne, or
vice, the names of all such as shall fortune to have their eares cut off, for the
causes before said, and of the tyme and place of doying of the same. And if
they faile & make default this to do by the space of one moneth, that they
shall forsaite for every moneth so offending, forty shyllinges.

¶ And be it further enacted by thaurtie aforesaid, that no church warden,
heve, collectour or collectours of any the foresaide charitable almes, shall
continue in his or their said offices and townes aboute the space of one yere
pere. And that in all citie, boroughes, townes, and parishes of this realme,
the surplus of all & all manner of collections of the tythe & wealthy parishes,
withyn any of the same citie, boroughes, townes, hundredes, lathe, capes,
and wapentakes from tyme to tyme, shall be ordered and distributed for and

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to make the sustentation of the charges of other poore parishes, here and within any of the same cities, boroughes, townes, hundredes, lathes, rapes, and wapentakes, by the discrecion from time to time of the Mayor, Aldermen, bayliffes, governours, Iustices of peace & high constable of the same. **P**rovided alwaies that in suche cities, townes, hundredes, wapentakes, lathes, rapes, ridinges, tithinges, hamlettes, & parishes, where the voluntary and unconstrained almes & charitie of the parishens or people, whiche by this acte shalbe contributorye to suche almes, and with suche money, as shalbe adden and given to the same from any monasteries or other persons habiles politike, corporate, or other, wol not suffice to the sustentacion of the poore, needy, and indigent people beinge within the limittes of such contribution, neyther the mayors, aldermen, bayliffes, high constables, or other head officers, householders, ministers or inhabitants of the same in particular, ne also the hole of them in generall, shall incurr or run into the saides forfeyture, danger, or penaltie of xx.s. for every moneth, ne any of them to be constrained to aue suche certayne contribution, but as their free willes and charities shall extende, other wise than that the persons thereunto appoynted by this acte shall well and trewly distribute, accordyng to the purposes of the same, the sayd charite and almes, that shall com to the sayd haundes, of voluntary gift, vpon the penalties in this acte for the same prouyded: any clause, sentence, or wordes in the same acte beyng or founden to the contrarye hereof not withstanding.

Provided also it shall be lefull to all noble men & other, keepinge houses, theyr anniers, seruantes, officers, and ministers, to geue in almes the fragmentes or broken meate or drinke of the same, as well to poore and indigent people of other parishes, as of the same parishes, where such house is kept, any thinge in this acte, or in any prouision of the same to the contrarye not withstanding.

Provided further more, that seruinge men departyng from theyr seruice by licence, wyll, death, or exclusion of theyr lord, lady, mayster or maystres, baynyng of the same theyr lord, lady, mayster or maystres letters, or in case of theyr death, other sufficient proufe, testifienge the day of theyr exclusion or departure from suche seruice, shall not incurr or runne into any of the punishments or penalties comprised in this acte, for vagaboundes or sturdie beggers, wythin the space of one moneth, after the day mencionied in the sayd letters, or apperyng by the sayd testimony to be the day of theyr departure from such seruices, ne also at or after the same moneth expired, so that by the ende of suche moneth they shall haue entered into any seruice, or be other wyse in labour accordyng to the forme and tenour of this acte.

Provided also that in as muche as flyers mendicantes, haue lyttell or nothinge to liue vpon, but onely by the charitie and almes of Chyften people: This acte therefore, ne any thinge therein conteyned, shall be preiudiciall or hurtfull unto any person or persones for geuing of them in generall

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all or particular any manner almes in money by tale or other thinge sold to them or any of them; for beyng or remapynge out of the places, where they have hope of their last habitation, or for passing abroad to gather the almes and charites of Christen people, or for continuance in their religion as they have ben accustomed to doo this acte, or any thing therein mentioned to the contrary not withstanding.

It is shewed all or that this acte, or any thing therein mentioned, be hurtful or prejudiciall to any abbottes prioues or other person or persons of the clergy or other, that by any meanes be bounde to give yearly weekly or daily almes in money, by tale, lodging, clothing, or other thing in any monasteries almes houses hospitals or other foundations or brotherhoodes, by any good ancient or ancient custome, or of daily charite by keeping of poore men, established for that purpose, ne to any person or persons for repayng of the same, or for their abyding in such almes houses or hospitalles, according to suche foundation: He also for almes in ready money or otherwise to be payed to maryners, or other persons that shall fortune to come or be set on land from shippen perished or lost on the sea, or to any persone that abyding going or passing by the way, that after his or their conscience or charite give money or other thing to lame bynde or lyke aged or impotent people: any thing in this acte to the contrary mentioned not withstanding.

It is shewed all or that this acte, or any thing therein mentioned, be hurtful or prejudiciall to any abbottes prioues or other person or persons of the clergy or other, that by any meanes be bounde to give yearly weekly or daily almes in money, by tale, lodging, clothing, or other thing in any monasteries almes houses hospitals or other foundations or brotherhoodes, by any good ancient or ancient custome, or of daily charite by keeping of poore men, established for that purpose, ne to any person or persons for repayng of the same, or for their abyding in such almes houses or hospitalles, according to suche foundation: He also for almes in ready money or otherwise to be payed to maryners, or other persons that shall fortune to come or be set on land from shippen perished or lost on the sea, or to any persone that abyding going or passing by the way, that after his or their conscience or charite give money or other thing to lame bynde or lyke aged or impotent people: any thing in this acte to the contrary mentioned not withstanding.



It be it the dominion principallite and countrey of wales iustly and rightuously is and ever hath ben incorporated annexed united and subiecte to & under the imperiall crowne of this realme, as a very member and toynite of the same: wherfore the kynges moste royall maiestie of mere dyght and very right, is very heed kyng lord and ruler. Yet not withstanding, because that in the same countrey principallite & dominion diuers ryghtes, blages, lawes, & customes, be farre discrepant from the lawes and customes of this realme, & also because that the people of the same dominion haue & doo daily vse a speche nothing lyke ne consonant to the natural mother tongue, vsed within this realme, some rude and ignorant people haue made distinction and diuersite betweene the kynges subiectes of this realme, and his subiectes of the said dominion and principallite of wales, wherby great disorde variace debate dissension murmur and sedycion hath growen betweene his saide subiectes. His hyghnes therfore of a syngeter sele, loue, and fauour, that he beareth towards his subiectes of his saide domination of wales, myndyng and intendyng to reduce them to the perfect order notice and knowledge of his lawes of this realme, and to extirpe all and syngeter the sinister blages and customes

comes differing from the same, and to bring his said subjects in this his realme, and of his said dominion of Wales to an amiable concord and unity, hath by deliberate advice consent and agreement of the layes spiritual and temporall, and the commons in this present parliament assembled and by the authority of the same, ordeined enacted and stablished, that his said countrey of dominion of Wales shall be stonde and continue for ever from henceforth incorporated, united, and annexed to and with this his realme of England. And that al and singuler person and persons, bothe & to be bothe in the said principallite countrey of dominion of Wales, shal have enjoy and inherite all and singuler freedoms, liberties, rights, privileges, and lawes within this realme and other the kynges dominions, as other the kynges subjects naturally bothe within the same have enjoy & inherite. And that all and singuler person and persons inheritable to any manours landes tenementes rentes reuercions services or other hereditamentes, whiche shal descende after the feast of all saintes next coming, within the said principallite countrey of dominion of Wales, or within any particular lordship part or pcecel of the said countrey of dominion of Wales, shal for ever from and after the said feast of al saintes, inherite and be inheritable to the same manours landes tenementes rentes reuercions & hereditamentes after the englyshe tenour without division or partition; and after the forme of the lawes of this realme of Englande, & not after any tenure ne after the forme of any welthe lawes or customes. And that the lawes ordynances and statutes of this realme of England for ever, & none other lawes ordynances ne statutes from and after the said feast of al saintes next coming, shal be had, bled practised and executed in the said countrey of dominion of Wales & every part therof, in lyke maner forme and order, as they ben and shal be had bled practised & executed in this realme; and in such lyke maner & forme, as hereafter by this act shal be further established and ordeined: any act statute usage custome pcedent libertie privilege or other thing, had made bled graunted or suffered to the contrary in any wise not withstanding.

¶ And for as much as there be many and divers lordships marchers within the said countrey of dominion of Wales, lyenge betwene the shires of Englande, and the shires of the said countrey of dominion of Wales, and being no pcecel of any other shires, where the lawes and due correction is bled and hadde: by reason whereof hath ensued and hath benne practised perpetrated committed and done within and among the said lordshippes and countreys to them adioynnyng, manifolde and dyuers detestable murders, brennyng of houses, robberies, thestes, trespasses, rowtes, riottes, unlawfull assemblies, embraceries, mayntenaunces, recepyng of felons, oppressions, ruptures of the peace, and manyfolde other malefactes, contrary to all lawes and iustice. And the said offenders therupon makinge theyr refuge from lordshippes to lordshyppe, were and continued without punishment or correction: for due reformation whereof, and for as much as dyuers and many of the said lordshippes marchers be now in the handes

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and possession of our sovereign lord the kinge, and the smallest number of them in the possession of other lordes, it is therfore enacted by thansourtes aforesayd, that diuers of the sayd lordships marchers shall be vnyted, annexed, and iorned to diuers of the shires of England, and diuers of the sayd lordships marchers shall be vnyted, annexed, & iorned to diuers of the shires of the sayd countrey or dominion of wales, in maner & forme hereafter following. And that all the residua of the sayd lordships marchers, wythin the sayd countrey or dominion of wales, shalbe serued and deuised into certain particular counties or shires, that is to saye, the countie or shire of Monmouth, the countie or shire of Brekenoke, the countie or shire of Radnor, the countie or shire of Montgomery, the countie or shire of Denbigh. And that the lordships, townships, parishes, comotes, & cantredes of monmouth, Chepstowe, Batherne, Ramphangel, Magour, Goldercliffe, Newpporte, Wenlounge, Planwerne, Caerlion, Wile, Trelecke, Cynterne, Skynntreth, Grousmont, wite castel, Reglan, Calycote, Biston, Abergenenny, Dentole, Grenefeld, Daghen and Hochupslade in the countrey of wales: and al and singuler honours, lordships, castels, manours, landes, tenementes, and hereditamentes, lyinge or beinge within the rompas or precinct of the sayde lordships, townships, hamlettes, parishes, comotes, & cantredes, & euery of them, in whose possession so euer they be or shall be, and euery parte thereof, shal stande and be from & after the sayd lease of all sayntes gyldable, & shal be reputed, accepted, named, and taken as parte & membres of the said shire of Monmouth. And that the sayd towne of Monmouth shalbe named, accepted, reputed, bled, had and taken head and shire towne of the sayd countie or shire of Monmouth. And that the shireffes countie or shire court, of and for the sayd shire or countie of Monmouth, shall be holden & kepte one tyme at the sayde towne of Monmouth, and the next tyme at the towne of Newpporte in the same countie or shire, and so to be kepte in the same two townes alternis vicibus, and accordinge to the lawes of this realme of Englannde for euer, and in none other places.

C And it is further enacted by thausourtes aforesayde, that all actions realles, hereafter shal be conueyed perpetrated, or sued for any landes, tenementes, or hereditamentes, or any other thing within the sayd countie or shire of Monmouth, and all actions personals, within the same shire or countie of the summe of xl. s. or above, and all actions mixte, shall be sued by or against all writte out of the kinges high court of Chauncerie in Englannde, and harde determined and tried before the kinges iustices in England, by Assise or Assis prius within the sayd countie of Monmouth, in suche lyke maner forme, and wise, as all other actyons realles, personalles and actyons mixte be sued harde determined and tried in or for any shire of this realme of Englannde. And that the kinges iustices of his bench, or of his common bench of wester, shall haue full power and auctorite to directe all maner processe to the shireffe & all other officers of the sayd countie of Monmouth and also to directe writtes of Venire facias, to the same shireffe for the trial of euery

currie issue loined before them and also to a writ of *habere facias* of *assize* into the sayd countie of *Worrmouth*, for the trial of such issues loined before them, in like maner and forme as they do into every shire of this realme of England. And all and every the kinges subiectes & inhabitanes within the sayd countie of *Worrmouth*, shalbe for ever it and after the sayd feast of all sayntes, obliged and bounden to be obedient & attendant to the lord chawncellour of England, the kinges iustices and other of the kinges most honorable counsell, and unto all lawes customes, ordynances and statutes of this realme of Englande, in lyke maner fourme and wyse, as all other the kinges subiectes within every shire of this realme of England be obliged and bounden, any acte statute usage, custome, libertie privilege, or any other thinge to the contrary in any wyse not withstanding. And that the shire of the sayd countie shal holde pice of replegiare, and all other suites & playntes under *x. s.* in his countie of *Worrmouth*, in lyke maner and fourme as all other shires do within this realme of Englande. And that the shireffes, eschetours and coroners, that here after shalbe within the sayde countie of *Worrmouth*, shalbe obliged and bounden to execute all the kinges processe, and to make due returns therof, and to use and exercise their offices, according to the lawes and statutes of this realme of England in all and every thinge, as the shireffes, eschetours and coroners be obliged and bounden to do in all and every other shire of this realme of England. And that the shireffes and eschetours of the said shire or countie of *Worrmouth* that hereafter shal be appointed by our soveraygne lord the kinge, make theyr accomptes for theyr sayd offices in the kinges exchequer in England in lyke maner and fourme as other shireffes and eschetours do within this realme of Englande, and upon such lyke payne and penaltie, as is upon other shireffes and eschetours in every other shire within this realme of England.

And it is enacted by thauentie, that the lordshippes, towne-shippes, parishes, comotes, and cantredes of *Birkenoke*, *Crekhowell*, *Wretowre*, *Benkelly*, *Englishe talgarech*, *Welsh talgarech*, *Dynas*, *The hape*, *Glynedogh*, *Bropulles*, *Cantrefely*, *Llido*, *Blapnilynby*, *Castroben*, *Buelthe*, and *Lingors*, in the sayd countrey or dominion of *Wales*, and all and singular honours lordshippes, castels manours landes tenementes and hereditamentes, lying or beinge within the copas or precincts of the sayde lordshippes, parishes, comotes, any cantredes, or any of them in whole possession, so ever they be or shalbe, and every parte therof, shal stande and be for ever from the sayd feast of all sayntes gildable and shalbe reputed, accepted named and taken as parties and members of the said countie or shire of *Birkenoke*. And that the sayd towne of *Birkenoke* shal be named accepted, reputed, used, had, and taken, head and chiefe towne of the said countie or shire of *Birkenoke*. And that the shire court or countie of and for the sayd shire or countie of *Birkenoke*, shal be holden and kepte in the sayd towne of *Birkenoke*.

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And it is enacted by the auctorite aforesaid, that the lordships townships parishes commotes and cantredes of new Radnoze, Clitheman, Cluelles, Bonghred, Glasebery, Glambire, Whelless church, Delahab, Blewagh, knighton, Porton, Preston, Coinorhuder, Mayder, Cluthonpon, and Stanage in the saide countrey of wales and euery of them; and all and singuler honours, lordships, castels, manours, landes, tenementis, and hereditamentes lyeng or being within the compass or precinct of the saide lordships townships parishes commotes and cantredes or any of them, in whose possession so euer they be or shall be, and euery part thereof, shall stand and be for euer from the said feast of al saintes, gyldable; and shall be reputed accepted named and taken as parties & members of the said countie of Shyre of Radnoze. And that the said towne of new Radnoze shall be named accepted reputed bled had and taken head and shire towne of the said countie of Shyre of Radnoze. And that the shyre court of countie of and for the saide countie of Shyre of Radnoze, shall be holden and kepte one tyme at the said towne of new Radnoze, and the next time at the towne of Racher Gwynne, in the saide countie of Shyre, and so to be kept in the same two townes Alternis vicibus for euer; and in none other place.

And it is enacted by the auctorite aforesaid, that the lordships townships parishes commotes and cantredes of Mountgomerie, Redewenker, Caerllande, Arskely Hemilock, Dorphure, Dolwellande, Glades land, Balesley, Cempcester, and Alcestre in the saide countrey of wales and euery of them; and all and singuler honours, lordships castels manours landes tenementis and hereditamentes, lyenge or being within the compass or precinct of the saide lordships townships parishes commotes and cantredes or any of them, in whose possession so euer they be or shall be, and euery parte thereof, shall stand and be for euer from the saide feast of al sayntes, gyldable; and shall be reputed accepted named and taken as parties & members of the saide countie of Shyre of Mountgomerie. And that the said towne of Mountgomerie shall be named accepted reputed bled had and take head and shire towne of the saide countie of Mountgomerie. And that the countie of Shyre court of and for the saide countie of Shyre of Mountgomerie, shall be holden and kepte the firste time at the said towne of Mountgomerie, and the next time at the towne of Maghenleth in the same shire of countie and so to be kepte in the same two townes Alternis vicibus; for euer; and in none other place.

CAND ALSO IT IS enacted by the auctorite aforesaid, that the lordships townships parishes commotes and cantredes of Denbyghlande, Ruthin, sainte Caffe, Kylllethowen, Brynnyde, Yale, Chiche, and Chirkelands, Moleddale, and Dopedale, in the saide countrey of wales, & euery of them; and all and singuler honours lordships castelles manours landes tenementis and hereditamentes, lyeng or being within the compass or precinct of the said lordships townships commotes and cantredes, or any of them, in whose possession so euer they be or shall be, and euery part thereof shall

shal stand and be for ever from the said feast of all sayntes goddable: shal be reputed accepted named and taken as partes and membres of the said countie of Shyre of Denbpygh. And that the said towne of Denbpygh shal be named accepted reputed used hadde and taken heed and shire towne of the countie of Shyre of Denbpygh. And that the countie of Shyre counte of and for the said countie of Shyre of Denbpygh, shal be holden and kepte the fyfth tyme at the said towne of Denbpygh, and the nexte tyme at the towne of Wyrchham in the said shire of countie, so to be kept in the same two townes. Aliter visibis for ever and in none other place.

¶ And so, as muche as the countie of Shyres of Brekenoke, Radnoze, Mountgomerie, and Denbpygh be far distant fro the cite of London, where the lawes of England be commonly used ministered exercised and executed, and so that the inhabitants of the said shires of Brekenoke, Radnoze, Mountgomerie, and Denbpygh be not of substance power and abilitie to traunple out of their countreis to seeke the administration of Justice. It is therfore enacted by the auctorite aforesaid, that the kinge our soueraigne lord shal have one Chauncerie and eschequier at his castel of Brekenoke, and one other at his towne and Castell of Denbpygh. And that the shiriffes eschetours and other officers accomptantes of the counties of Brekenoke and Radnoze, Mountgomerie and Denbpygh, from and after the said feast of all sayntes shal be perely appoynted by our soueraigne lord the king, for and within every of the said shires of Brekenoke Radnoze Mountgomerie and Denbpygh. And that the shiriffes eschetours and other officers accomptantes of the Countie of Brekenoke and Radnoze, from and after the sayde feast of all sayntes, shal perely make their accomptes before the kynges auditours and such chamberlayne or baron of the said Eschequer, as shal be therunto appoynted by our said soueraigne lord the kyng, in such like maner and forme, as shiriffes eschetours and other officers accomptantes do perely make their accomptes in the kynges Eschequier at Westminster within this realme of Englande. And that the shiriffes eschetours and other officers accomptantes of the counties of Mountgomerie and Denbpygh, from and after the sayde feast of all sayntes, shal perely make theyr accomptes before the kynges auditours, and such chamberlayne or baron of the sayde Eschequer, as shal be therunto appoynted by our sayde soueraigne lord the kyng, in such lyke maner and forme as shiriffes eschetours and other officers accomptantes, doo perely make theyr accomptes in the kynges Eschequier at Westminster within this realme of Englande. And that Justice shal be ministered, used, exercised, and executed, unto the kynges subiectes and inhabitants in every of the said shires of Brekenoke, Radnoze, Mountgomerie and Denbpygh, accordyng to the lawes and statutes of this realme of Englande, and accordyng to such other customes and lawes now used in wales aforesaid, as the kyng our soueraigne lord, and his most honorable counsaile shal allowe and thinke expedient requisite and necessary by such Justices or Justiciars as shal be therunto

ther into appointed by our sayd souerayn lord the kynge, and after such
forme and fashon, as iustice is bled and ministered to the kinges subiectes
within the thre shires of North wales.

¶ And also it is enacted by the auctorite aforesayd, that the lordships, tow-
nes parishes, commotes, hundredes, and cantredes of Oswestrie, Wherington,
Wardrobe, Knokynge, Ellesmere, Downe, & Churbury hundred in the mar-
ches of wales aforesayd, that euery of them, & al and singular honours lord-
ships, castelles, manours, townes, hamlettes, landes, tenementes, and here-
ditamentes, lyeng or being within the compas or precinct of the sayd lord-
ships, townes parishes, commotes, hundredes, and cantredes or any of
them, in whose possession so ever they be or shall be, and euery parte thereof,
shall stand & be for ever, from and after the sayd feast of all saintes gildable
and shalbe united annexed and ioyned to and with the countie of Salop, as
a membre parte or parcel of the same. And that the sayd lordships, of Oswe-
strie, Wherington, Wardrobe, and Knokynge, with theyr members, shall
be taken, named, and knownen, by the name of the hundred of Oswestrie,
in the countie of Salop: and the inhabitauntes therof shall be attendaunt
and do euery thinge and thinges at euery sessions Assise and gaole deliue-
rie to be holden within the countie of Salop, as the inhabitauntes of all o-
ther hundredes doo within the sayd countie of Salop, accordinge to the la-
wes of this realme of Englande. And that the lordshippe of Ellesmere, with
the membre of the same, shall be united ioyned, and knytte to the hundred of
Farnhill in the countie of Salop: and shall be taken named and knownen to
be parcell of the same hundred: and the inhabitauntes therof shall be atten-
daunt, and do euery thyng and thinges with the inhabitauntes of the said
hundred of Farnhill as the inhabitauntes of the same hundred now do and
shal, accordinge to the lawes of this realme of Englande. And that the lord-
shippe of Downe, with the members, shall be united ioyned and knytte to
the hundred of Churbury in the countie of Salop: and that the inhabitan-
tes of the sayd hundred of Churbury and lordshippe of Downe, shall be
attendaunt to doo euery thinge and thinges, at euery sessions assise & gaole
deliuerie to be holden within the sayd countie of Salop, as the inhabitaun-
tes of all other hundredes do within the sayd countie of Salop accordinge
to the lawes of this realme of England. And that the sayd hundred of chur-
bury after the sayde feast of all sayntes, nor the sayd hundred of Oswestrie
nor yet the lordshippe of Ellesmere, shall be in wyse othe wyse praprioged
nor haue no other libertie nor priuilege, but as hundredes united annexed
and knytte to the sayde countie of Salop, as other hundredes be within the
sayde countie.

¶ And that the lordshippes, townes, parishes, commotes, hundredes and
cantredes of Ewias lacye, Ewias harolde, Cliforde, Wyfoston, Yerdelle, Y-
mington, Woburne, Wymore, Logharnes, and Stepulton, in the
sayde marches of wales, and euery of them: And all and singular honours
lordships, castels, manours, landes, tenementes and hereditamentes, lyng

of being within the compass or precincts of the sayd lordshippes townes
parishes, commotes hundredes and cantredes of any of them, in whose pos-
session or eney they beo: shall be, and every parte thereof, shall stand and be
for ever, from and after the sayd feast of all saintes gildable: and shall be
united annexed and lorned to and with the countie of Hereforde, as a membe
parte or partel of the same countie of Hereforde, And that the lordshippes
of Wygmore and Logharneys, with their membres, shall be taken named
and knowen by the name of the hundred of wigmore in the countie of Here-
forde afoze sayd: And that the inhabitantes therof shall be attendante, and
do every thinge and thinges, at every sessions assise and gaole deliverte to
be holden within the sayd countie of Hereforde, as the inhabitantes of all
other hundredes do within the sayd countie of Hereforde accordinge to the
lawes of this realme of Englande. And that the whole lordship of Ewas
lacy, with the membres, shall be taken named and knowen by the name of the
hundred of Ewas lacy within the sayde countie of Hereforde: And the inha-
bitantes therof shall be attendant and do every thinge and thinges, at e-
very sessions assise gaole deliverte to be holden wpythin the sayd countie of
Hereforde, as the inhabitante of all other hundredes do, wpythin the sayde
countie of Hereforde, accordyng to the lawes of this realme of Englande.
And that the lordshyppe of Ewas harolde wpyth the membres, shall be
united lorned and knytte to the hundrede of webtre in the sayde countie of
Hereforde, and shall be taken named and knowen to be parcell of the sayde
hundred of webtree: and the inhabitantes therof shall be attendante and
do every thinge and thinges with the inhabitantes of the same hundrede
of webtre, as the inhabitantes of the same hundrede now do, accordyng to
the lawes of this realme of England. And that the lordshippes of Clifforde,
wainfoston, Yerdeley, whitney, and Huntington, with theyr members, shall
be taken named and knowen by the name of the same hundred of Hunting-
ton, within the countie of Hereforde afoze sayd: and that the inhabytan-
tes therof shall be attendaunt and doo every thyng and thynges, at every
sessions assise and gaole delivere to be holden within the sayde countie of
Hereforde, as the inhabitantes of all other hundredes do within the sayd
countie of Hereforde, accordyng to the lawes of this realme of England. And
that the sayd hundred of wygmore, with the membres, and the sayd hun-
dred of Ewas lacy, and the sayde hundred of Huntington, and the sayde
lordshyp of Ewas harolde, annexed unto the hundred of webtree, after
the sayd feast of all saintes, shall be in no wyse otherwise privileged, nor have
no other libertie franchises ne privilege: but as hundredes united and an-
nexed to the sayed countie of Hereforde, and as other hundredes be within
the sayde countie of Hereforde.

AND that the lordshippes, townes and parishes, of wollaston,
Cidnam, and Becheley, in the sayed marches of wales, and all honours
lordshippes, castels, manours, landes, tenementes and hereditamentes, ly-
yinge or beinge betwene Chepstowe byrge in the sayde marches of wales.

Gloucester shire, in whose possession so ever they be or shalbe, & every parte
 thereof, shall stande & be gildable from and after the sayd feast of all sayntes
 and shalbe united annexed and topned to and with the sayd countie of Shires
 of Glouc. as a membe & parte of & parcell of the same. And that the sayd lord-
 shippes, towne, and parishes of Woolaston, Cidnam, and Wechely, and all
 honours, lordshippes, castels, manours, landes, tenementes, and hereditament
 es, lying or being betwene Chepstowe bridge, and the shire of Glouc. as is
 aforesayd, shalbe united topned and knit to the hundred of welebery within
 the sayd shyre of Gloucester, and shall be taken named & known to be parte
 and parcell of the same hundred: and the inhabitantes thereof shalbe atten-
 dant and do every thinge and thinges with the inhabitantes of the sayd
 hundred of welebery, as the inhabitantes of the same hundred now do ac-
 cording to the law of this realme of Englad. And if the sayd lordshippes of
 Woolaston, Cidnam, and Wechely, after the sayd feast of all sayntes shalbe
 in no wise privileged, nor have no other libertie franchises ne privilege, but as
 parcell of the sayd hundred of welebery in the sayd countie of Gloucester.
 And that the lordshippes, towne, parishes comotes, hundredes & cantre-
 des of Gowerkyluer, byshops towne, Landaffe, Singhnepghe supra: Sin-
 ghnepthubus, Wiskin, Ogmore, Glynerothenev, Callagarne, Ruchien,
 Callawan, Landlethyan, Lanewid, Tverpall, Juau, Berthe, Landewey, &
 the Clays in the sayd countie of Wales and every of them: and all honours
 lordshippes, castelles, manours landes, tenementes and hereditamentes, li-
 ying or being within the compas or precinct of the sayd lordshippes, towne
 parishes, comotes, hundredes, and cantredes, or any of them, in whose pos-
 session so ever they be or shalbe, and every parte thereof shall stande and be
 gildable for ever from and after the sayd feast of all sayntes, and shalbe vol-
 unt annexed and topned to and with the countie of Glamorgan, as a membe
 parte or parcell of the same. And that the sayd shyre of Glamorgan & Mor-
 damore, & al the aforesayd lordshippes towne parishes comotes hundredes
 & cantredes, united & annexed to the sayd countie of Glamorgan, shall from
 & after the sayd feast of all sayntes, be reputed named accepted & known by
 the name of the shire of Glamorgan only, & by none other name. And if from
 and after the sayd feast of all sayntes iustice shalbe ministered and executed to
 the kinges subiectes and inhabitantes of the sayd countie of Glamorgan
 according to the lawes customes and statutes of this realme of Englande,
 and after no welthe lawes: and in suche forme and facion as iustice is im-
 ministered & used to the kinges subiectes within the thre shires of North Wales
 And that the lordshippes towne parishes comotes hundredes and cantre-
 des of Lanemthe herp, Abermerleise, Redwely, Ekenynge, Cornwolthou,
 Pemecastell, Emyll, Abergoply, in the sayde countrey of Wales and every
 of them: and all honours lordshippes castels, manours, landes, tenementes,
 & hereditamentes, lying or being within the compas or precinct of the sayd
 lordshippes towne parishes comotes hundredes and cantredes or any of the
 in whose possession so ever they be or shalbe, & every parte thereof shall stande &
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be gildable for ever from and after the sayd feast of al saintes, & shal be united annexed and toynd to and with the countie of Karmertzen, as a welthe parte or parcel of the same. And that from & after the sayd feast of al saintes iustice shalbe ministered and executed to the kinges subiectes and inhabitants of the sayd countie of Karmertzen, according to the lawes customes & statutes of this realme of Englande, and after no welthe lawes, and in such forme & facion as iustice is ministered & used to the kinges subiectes, within the thre shires of Northwales.

¶ And that the lordships townes parishes comotes hundzedes and cantredes of Haverfordwest, Bulgarra, Lasseffan, Laugeharne other wise called Tellaugherne, Doolwynicabell, Delwys land, Lannehadwyn, Lansey, Herberth, Gieberyche, Rosemarkette, Castellari, and Llandofloure in the sayd countrey of wales and euery of them, and al honours lordships, castelles, manours, landes, tenementes, and hereditamentes lieng and being within the compas or pzeincte of the sayd lordshippes townes, parishes commotes hundzedes cantredes or any of them, in whose possession so euer they be or shall be, and euery parte thereof, shall stand & be gildable for ever, from and after the sayd feast of al saintes and shalbe united annexed and toynd to and with the countie of Dembroke. And that from and after the said feast of al sayntes, iustice shall be ministered & executed to kinges subiectes & inhabitants of the sayd countie of Dembroke, according to the lawes customes and statutes of this realme of Englande, and after no welthe lawes and in suche forme and facion, as iustice is ministered and used to the kinges subiectes within the thre shires of North wales.

¶ And that the lordships, townes, parishes commotes, hundzedes & cantredes of Tregaron, Generglyne, Landwar, Areny, in the sayd countrey of wales and euery of them; and al honours lordshippes, castelles, manours, landes, tenementes and hereditamentes, lieng or being within the compas or pzeincte of the sayd lordships, townes parishes, comotes, hundzedes, & cantredes, or any of them, in whose possession so euer they be or shall be, and euery parte therof shall stand & be gildable for ever from & after the sayd feast of al sayntes, and shall be united annexed and toynd to and with the countie of Cardigan, as a welthe parte or percell of the same. And from & after the sayd feast of al sayntes, iustice shall be ministered and executed to the kinges subiectes and inhabitants of the said countie of Cardigan, according to the lawes customes and statutes of this realme of England, and after no welthe lawes; and in suche forme & facion as iustice is ministered and used to the kinges subiectes within the thre shires of North wales.

¶ And that the lordships townes & parishes of Southway, in the sayd countrey of wales, in whose possession so euer they be & al landes, tenementes, & hereditamentes, now lieng or being within the compas or pzeinct of the sayd lordshippes towne and parishes of Southway, or anye of them in whose possessions so euer they be or shalbe, and euery part therof shall stand and be gildable for ever from and after the sayd feast of al saintes & shal be united

United annexed and topned to and with the counsels of the shires in the
wales, as a comynote maner part or parcel of the same.

¶ Also be it enacted by the auctoritie aforesaide, that all Justices, commissi-
oners, shireffes coroners, clerkes, sheriffs, and theyr lieutenantes, and
all other officers and ministers of the lawe, shal proclaime and kepe the ses-
sions, courtis, hundredes, leetes, shireffes courtis, and all other courtis, in
the englyshe tonge: and all othes of officers, iuries, and inquestis, and all
other affidauithes verdictes and wagers of lawe, to be giue and done in the
englyshe tonge. And also that from henceforth no person or persones shal
use the welsh speche or langage, shal haue or enjoy any maner office or fees
within this realme of England, Wales, or other the kynges dominion, vpon
paine of forfeiting the same office or fees, onles he or they use and ex-
ercise the speche or langage of Englyshe.

¶ And it is further enacted by the auctoritie aforesaide, that hit shal be le-
full to the shireffe of every of the foresaide shires of Dommouth, Breke-
noke, Radnoze, Mountgomerie, and Denbygh, and every of them, to put
every impleaded and suspecte person within their shireffes, vnder com-
mon mainpryse and suertie of their personall apperaunce, as the shireffes
do within every of the thre shires of North wales. And that the recon-
sances of suche comyn mainpryse and suertie of apperaunce, taken before any
of the saide shireffes, shalbe as good and effectuell, as if it were taken by
any Justice of recorde. And that the shireffe of the countie of Dommouth,
shal certifie suche reconisances, common mainpryse, or suertie of apperaunce
at every quarter sessions, before the Justices of peace of the said countie of
Dommouth. And that every person and persons, within the saide countie
of Dommouth, put vnder comyn mainpryse, and bounde to his personal
apparaunce, shal kepe theyr personal apperaunce at the sessions holden within
the said shire of Dommouth, nexte after the claue of Easter, and at the ses-
sions to be holden within the said shire nexte after the feast of saint Michell
tharchangell, vntill such tyme that they be thereof relefed after the course
of the lawe. And that every of the shireffes of the said counties of Breke-
noke, Radnoze, Mountgomerie, and Denbigh, and every of them, shal certifie
such reconisances comyn mainpryse or suertie of apparaunce by them taken,
before such Justice as shalbe appoynted by our soueraigne lord the kyng
within every of the said shires at every sessions to be holde in any of the said
shires before the same Justice.

¶ And that every person and persones within the said counties of Breke-
noke, Radnoze, Mountgomerie, and Denbigh: And also within the aboue
named counties of Glamorgan, Kermervel, Pembroke, and Cardigan, or
any of them, put vnder comyn mainpryse, and bound to his or their perso-
nal apperaunce, as wel by the foresaid shireffes, as by the Justices of any of
the said counties: shal kepe their apperaunces before the saide Justices at
every sessions within the said counties to be holden in suche like maner and
course, as is used in the thre shires of North wales.

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And for that the lordes marchers before this present parliament haue vbled to put their tenants within their lordships marchers vnder suche common mainpryse & suertie of apparance, and haue had the forfeitures thereof whiche for ever from and after the said feast of all sayntes shal utterly cesse and determine: Therefore be it enacted by the auctoritie aforesaide, that after the said feast of all sayntes, euery lay and tempoꝛall person howe being a lord marcher, shall haue the moꝛtie oꝛ halfe of euery forfeiture of al and euery common mainpryse, recognisance for the peace, oꝛ apparance forsayted by any of their tenants, inhabityng within any of their lordshippes marchers: and they to be payde the same moꝛtie oꝛ halfe, by the handes of the shireffes of euery of the saide countie, where such forfeitures shall be, if the shireffe can leuie the same; and the same shireffe to accompte to our soveraigne lord the kyng for the other halfe oꝛ moꝛtie, in suche eschequre as they be accomptant.

Be it further enacted by the auctoritie aforesaide, that immediatly vpon the prorogacion oꝛ dissolution of this present parliament, the lord chancellor of Englande shal directe the kynges comission vnder his graces great seale, to suche persons as to hym shall be thought conueniente, to enquire and vieue all the said shires of Hermerden, Demboke, Cardigan, Pembrok, Brekenoke, Radnoze, Mountgomery, Glamorgan, & Denbygh, & enery parte and parcell of them: and vpon suche vieue and serche, to diuide them & euery of them into so many hundredes as they shall thinke most meetest and conuenient: And the hundredes so deuided, shal retourne and certifie with the sayd comission into the highe Courte of Chauncery before the sayd feast of all sayntes, and the same to remaine of Recoꝛde, and to be of suche force and effecte, as it were by acte of parliament.

And that the sayd hundredes, after the sayd Certifycate, shall be vbled and taken, as other hundredes be in euery other shyre wythin this Realme of Englande.

Furthermore it is enacted by the auctoritee aforesayd, that immediatly after the prorogacion oꝛ dissolution of this present parlyamente, the lord Chancellor of Englande shall directe the kynges comission vnder his graces great seale to suche persons as to him shal be thought conueniente, to enquire and serche out by all wayes and meanes that they canne, all and singular lawes, vsages, and customes, vbled within the sayd dominion and countrey of wales: and the same shall retourne and certifie to the kynges hyghnes and his most honourable counsaile before the sayd feast of al sayntes nexte commynge: and that vppon delibérate aduise thereof hadde and taken, all suche lawes, vsages, & customes, as the kynges hyghnes & his said most honourable counsaile shall thinke expedient requisite and necessary to be had vbled & exercised in the before seuered shires oꝛ any of them, oꝛ in any other shyre of the dominion oꝛ countrey of wales, shall stand and be of full strength vertue and effecte, and shall be for ever immolabile obserued had, vbled and executed in the same shires, as if this acte had neuer ben hadde and made

made, any thyng in the same acte conteyned to the contrary in anye wyse not withstanding.

¶ And it is further enacted by thauctoite aforesayd, that for this presente parlyament, and all other parlyamentes to be holden and kepte for this realme, two knightes shall be chosen and elected to the same parlyamente for the shire of Dommouth, and one burges for the borough of Dommouth, in lyke maner fourme and order, as knightes and burgeis of the parlyament be elected and chosen in all other shires of this realme of Englande: And that the same knightes and burgeis shall haue like dignitie preeminence & pryuelege, and shall be allowed suche fees, as other knightes and burgeis of the parlyament haue ben allowed: And the knightes fees to be leuied perceyued receyued gathered and payed in suche maner fourme and order, as suche fees be gathered leuied perceyued receyued and payed in other shires of this realme of Englande: And the burgeis fees to be leuied as well within the burgh of Dommouth, as within all other aunciente burghes within the sayd shyre of Dommouth.

¶ And that for this present parlyament, and all other parlyamentes to be holden and kepte for this realme, one knight shall be chosen and elected to the same parlyamentes for euerye of the shyres of Brekenoke, Radnoze, Mountgomery, and Denbygh, and for euery other shyre within the sayde countrey or dominion of wales: and for euery borough being a shire towne within the sayd countrey or dominion of wales, except the shire towne of the aforesayd countie of Mereoneth, one burgeis: And the election to be in lyke maner fourme and order, as knightes and burgeis of the parlyament, be elected and chosen in other shyres of this realme. And that the knightes and burgeis and euery of them, shall haue like dignitie preeminence & pryuelege, and shall be allowed suche fees as other knightes of the parlyament haue and be allowed: And the knightes fees to be leuied and gathered of commons of the shyre that they be elected in: and the burgeis fees to be leuied and gathered as wel of the boroughes and shyre townes as they be burgeis of: as of all other auncient boroughes within the same shire.

¶ And it is further enacted by thauctoitee aforesaid, that al and euery lay and temporall person and persons now being lordes marchers, and hauing any lordships marchers, or lordships riars, shall from and after the sayd feast of all sayntes, haue all suche imyles and profites of theyr tenantes, as they haue had or bled to haue at the first intree into theyr landes in tymes past: And also shall haue holde and kepe within the precincte of theyr lordships, courtes baron, Court leetes, and lawdaies, and all & euery thing to the same courtes belonging. And also shall haue within the precincte of theyr sayde lordships or law day, wayfe, trapfe, Infanthes, outfanthes, tres sure troues, denbandes, goobes and cattails of felons, and of persones condemned or outlawed of felony or murder: put in exigent for felony or murder: and also wreke de mer, wharfage, and customes of straungers, as they haue had in times past, and as though suche pryueleges were granted unto them

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them by our soueraygne lord the kinge by virtue of charter: any thinge in this present acte to the contrary not withstanding.

¶ Provided alway that this present acte, nor any thinge therein conteyned shall take away or derogate any lawes, statutes, or lawfull customes now vied within the thre shyres of Northwales, nor that nor depriue nor take away the whole liberties of the duchy of Lancastre, but that the sayd liberties shall continue and be vied in every lordship parcell of the sayd Duchie within the dominion or countrey of wales, as the liberties of the sayde Duchie be vied in shyre grounde, and not countie palantine within this realme of Englande.

¶ Provided also that this acte nor any thinge therein conteyned do not extend nor be prejudiciall to any person or persons to avoyde any patent fornt patent of any office fees annuities or reuerend of any office fees or annuities to them graunted for terme of theyr life or liues by our soueraygne lord the kyng, or by any other person or persons, other for the vsing exercising or occupieng of any maner office, or other wise, but that they shall haue and enioy theyr sayd fees, and all other offices of constabillshippes, portershippes, stewardshippes of leetes, lawedayes, courtes barons, and other offices beinge not repugnaunte agaynst this acte: And in case any suche offices be repugnaunt agaynst this acte, that then the grauntes to haue and enioy their fees, during theyr life or liues, any article or clause in this present acte to the contrary in any wise not withstanding.

¶ Provided also that this acte nor any thinge therein conteyned, be not in any wise prejudiciall to the right honourable Henry erle of Worcester, for the exercising vsing & occupieng of the office of the iustice of the hole countie of Glamorgan, any thinge in this present acte conteyned to the contrary in any wise not withstanding.

¶ Provided also that this acte nor any thinge therein conteyned, extend not to depriue take away or derogate any other actes befoze this time made for the triall of treason murder of felonies or accessories of the same commytted and done in any lordship marchet in wales, or in the next shires of Englande adioyning to the sayd lordship marchet.

¶ Provided alwaye, that landes, tenementes, and hereditamentes, lyenge in the sayd countrey and dominion of wales, which haue benne vied tyme, out of minde by the lawfull customes of the sayd countrey, to be departed and departable amonges issues and heires males, shall still so continue and be vied in like tyme facion and condition, as if this acte had neuer bene had nor made, any thinge in this acte to the contrary therof not withstandinge.

¶ Provided also and be it enacted by autorite aforesayd, that the kinges highnes, not withstandinge this acte, or any thinge therein conteyned, shall haue power and authority for the terme of this petre next after the ende and dissolution of this present parliament, to suspende for suche tyme as shall please his grace, or directly to repeale reuoke and abrogate this hole acte, or any

any parte thereof from tyme to tyme, as shall stande with his most gracious pleasure, so that every suche suspending repeale and revocation from tyme to tyme, as often as any suche case shall happen, shalbe made in wryting under the greate seale of England, and be annexed to the rolle of this present parliament, wherein this acte shalbe enrolled, and proclamations thereupon to be made in every shire within the said countrey and dominion of wales. And that every suche suspending repeale and revocation so to be had and made by the kynges highnes, shal be as good and effectuell to all intentes and purposes, as if the same had be doone by auctoritie of this present parliament: this acte or any thing therein contained to the contrary thereof not withstanding.

And where by this presente acte there is appoynted one Chauncerie and one eschequire at Wykenoke: and an other chancerie & eschequire at Penbigh, it is enacted by auctoritie aforesaid, that the kynges highnes from tyme to tyme within the terme of fyve yeres next after the ende of this parliament, for due ministracion of iustice in the saide countrey of wales, shal have power and auctoritie to erect make and ordeyne suche courtes or courtes, and so many courtes of record, and such and so many iustices ministers officers and clerkes, as by his highnes within the time of fyve yeres nexte after the ende of this present parliament shalbe thought sufficient & convenient, as wel for the dew execution of this act or of any thing or thinges that shalbe had done or made by auctoritie of the same, as for the good governance and rule of the said countrey of wales.

Provided alwaies, that this acte, or any thing or thinges to be doone by auctoritie thereof, shall not be prejudiciall to any person or persones, whiche now have by the kynges letters patentes any office or offices of Notonary or clerke of the crowne in the said countrey & dominion of wales, but that they & every of them shal and may styll have and use their offices, in as large and ample maner forme facion and condicion as if this acte, or any thing to be done by auctoritie thereof had never be had nor made: any thing in this acte to the contrary thereof not withstanding.

Provided also that this act or any thing therein contained, extend not, or in any wise be prejudicial or hurtful to Sir Walter Deuizeux knight of the noble order of the garter, lord ferrers and of Chartley, or for and concerning the offices of chiefe Justice of southwales, the office of Chamberlayne of Southwales, and of the counties of Carmarden and Cardigan in southwales aforesaid. And of and for the office of the stewardship of the lordship of Bealch in the marches of southwales, & of & for the office of recepuorship of the said lordshippe of Bealch: or of for or concerning any of the saide offices: but that the said lord ferrers may have use exercise and enjoy the said offices and every of them, with al fees wages emolumentes comodities & profits to the same offices or to any of them in any wise belonging and apperteynyng, in as large and ample maner forme and condicion, as if this act had never ben had or made.

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Act for
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of monasteries



As much as in this present parliament, begun at London on the thirde day of November, in the xii. yere of the reigne of the King our soveraigne lord, & from thence continued by divers prorogations, unto the fourth day of February, in the xxvi. yere of his most noble reigne: then there holden, it is enacted, ordained, established, by the assent of the Kinges maiestie, his lordes spirituall & temporall, & the commons in this present parliament assembled, & by authority of the same, that his maiestie should have and enjoy to him his heires and successors forever, all and singular such monasteries, priories, & other religious houses, of monkes, chanons, & nunnas, of what kinde or diversities of habited rules or orders so ever they be called or named, whiche have not in landes, tenementes, rentes, tithes, pensions, & other hereditamentes above the cleere yerely value of two hundred poundes: and all the scites & circuits of all such religious houses, and al & singular the manours, granges, messuages, tenementes, reuercions, rentes, services, tithes, pensions, portions, advowsons, parsonages, rights, entres, condicions, and other hereditamentes apperteyning and belonging to every such monastery, priory and other religious house, not haupng as is aforesaid landes and tenementes above the said cleere yerely value of two hundred poundes, in as large & ample manner, as the abbottes, priours, abbesses, prioresses, and other gouernours of suche monasteries, priories, & other religious houses then had or ought to have had the same in the right of their houses. And that his highnes shall have to him and to his heires all and singular suche monasteries, abbeyes, and priories, whiche at any tyme within one yere nexte after the making of the said acte, hadde ben grauen and graunted to his maiestie by any abbott, priour, abbess, or prioress, vnder their conuente seales, or that other will haue ben suppressed or dissolved: and al and singular the manours, landes, tenementes, rentes, services, reuercions, tithes, pensions, portions, churches, chapels, advowsons, parsonages, rights, entres, condicions, and all other interestes and hereditamentes, to the same monasteries, abbeyes, or priories or to any of them apperteyning or belonging, to do and vse therewith his and their owne wylls, to the pleasure of almyghy god, and to the honour and profit of this realme.

And further it is ordeyned by the said act, that the Kinges maiestie should have and enjoy al suche ornaments, Jewels, goodes, catalles, and dettes, whiche apperteyned or belonged to any of the chiefe gouernours of the said monasteries or religious houses, in the right of their said monasteries or houses at the first day of Marche, in the yere of our lord god, M. D. XXXV. or at any time sithen wher so euer, and to whose possessions so euer then shal come

Some of be founde, excepte suche goodes catelles and other thynges excepted and forpysed in the said act, as by the same acte among other thynges moze playnly at large may appere.

¶ For the moze suertie and establisshment whereof, and to the intent that the kynges maiestie, his heires and successours shalbe perely as wel trewe-ly and iustely answered contented and paid of the rates, termes, issues, reve- nues and profittes of synge commynge and growyng of the said manours, landes, tenementes, & other hereditamentes before specified, as of the good cattells plate stuffe of householde dettes money stocke stowe and other whas so ever profite and commoditie given graunted or appointed to the kynges maiestie by the same, in suche court place fourme maner and condicion, as hereafter shal be lymytted declared and appointed. Be it enacted, ordeyned and establisshed by thassent of the kynges maiestie, his lordes spiritual and tempozall, and the commons in this present parlyament assembled, and by auctoritie of the same in maner and fourme as hereafter foloweth in arty- cles, That is to say.

¶ Firste the kyng our saide soueraygne lord, by auctoritie aforesaide or de- byneth maketh establissheth and erecteth a certayne court, commonlye to be called, The court of chaugmentacions of the revenues of the kynges crowne, whiche court, by auctoritie aforesaide continually shalbe a court of recorde, and shal haue one greute seale and one priue seale to be engra- ued and made after such fourme fasson and maner as shalbe appointed by the kynges highnes, and shal remayne and be ordeyed, as hereafter shal be declared.

¶ Also be it enacted by auctoritie aforesaide, that there shalbe one certayne person to be named and assigned by the kynges highnes, which shalbe chancellour of the said court, and shalbe chiefe and principal officer of the same court and shalbe called chancellour of the court of chaugmentacions of the revenues of the kynges crowne, and shal haue the kepyng of the sayde greute seale and priue seale, to be assigned to the said court.

¶ Also that there shalbe one persone to be named by the kynges highnes, whiche shalbe called the kynges Treasourer of the court of chaugmenta- tions of the revenues of the kynges crowne, and shalbe the seconde officer of the same court.

¶ Also it is ordeyned by auctoritie aforesaide, that there shalbe one persone lerned in the lawes of the lande, to be named by the kynges highnes, which shalbe called the kynges attourney of the said court, and shalbe the thirde officer of the same court.

¶ Also that there shalbe one persone to be named by the kynges highnes, whiche shalbe called the kynges Solycitour of the said court, and shalbe the fourth officer of the court.

¶ Also that there shalbe ten particular auditours to be named by the kynges highnes, whiche shalbe called auditours of the revenues of the saids augmentacions.

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of Record.
Great & Priue -
Seale.*

*Chancellour of
this Court.
Chief Officer*

*Treasurer of this
Court.
2^d Officer.*

*Knights Attourney and
3^d Officer*

*Knights Solycitor
4th Officer.*

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¶ Also

Receiours.

Clerke of the Court
Clerk -
Messenger

Chancellors Clerk

Also there shall be this particular receiours to be named by the kynges highnes, which shall be called receiours of the said revenues.

Also that there shall be one persone to be named by the kynges highnes, which shall be called clerke of the said court; and one other persone, which shall be called messenger of the same court; which clerk and messenger shall be named by the kynges highnes, and either of them shall haue suche pecyfe fees, rewards and profits as the clerk and messenger of the duchy chambur of westminster haue and perceiue.

Also the saide Chauncellour, which shall be appoynted by the kynges highnes, shall take a corporall othe afoze the lord chauncellour of England for the tyme being, after the tenour ensuyng: Ye shall sweze that ye wel and trewely shall serue the kyng in the office of chauncellourshippe of the augmentacions of the revenues of the kynges crowne, and shall minister equal iustice to riche and poze, to the best of your cunnynge witte and power: and that ye shall diligently procure all thinges, which maie honestly and iustely be to the kynges aduantage and profite, and to the augmentation of the rightes and prerogatiues of his crowne, and trewely vse the kynges seales appoynted to your office, and also endeuour your self to the bettermost of your power to see the kynges truly answered of all suche rentes, revenues, issues, and profits, which shall or may arise or growe in your office, and from tyme to tyme helpe with speede suche as shall haue to do afoze you, and that ye shall not take nor receiue of any persone any gyfte or rewarde in any cause or matter dependyng befoze you, or wherein the kynges highnes shall be partie, wherby any prejudice hinderance losse or dishonour shall growe or be to the kynges highnes, so helpe you god and all sayntes.

Also that the saide Treasourer shall take a corporall othe befoze the said Chauncellour of the saide court, accordyng to the tenour ensuyng: Ye shall sweze that ye shall wel and trewely serue the kyng our souerayne lord and his people in the office of treasourer of this court: And ye shall reasonably and honestly procure the kynges profite, and do righte to all maner of people poze and riche, in those thynges which touch your office, and the kynges treasure ye shall truly kepe and dispende, and true declaration and accompt therof shall make from tyme to tyme without any condempment accordyng to this acte made for the stabylshment of this court, and further shall do euery thyng that of right apperteyne to your office, so helpe you god and all sayntes.

Also either of the saide attourney and Solicitour shall take a corporall othe befoze the said chauncellour accordyng to the tenour ensuyng: Ye shall sweze that ye wel and trewely shall serue the kyng as his attourney in al courttes for a concernyng any matter or cause, that shall concerne or touch the possessiouns, hereditamentes, liberties to the suruey and gouernance of this court, and procure the kynges profite therof, and that ye shall trewely counsell the kyng and his chauncellour of this court in al thinges concerning the same, so

the best of your cunnyng witte and pollicie: and with al fydre and diligence
from tyme to tyme of the calling of the said chawncellour, ye shall enuoyse
your self for the heryng & determinacion of all such matters & cau-
ses as shal depend before the said chawncellour: And that ye shal not take
any gyfte or reward in any matter or cause depending in the same court or
else where, wherin the kyng shal be partie, whereby the kynges matellic shal
be hurted hindred or disserved: and further do and eneyr thing, that shal
apperteyne to your office, so helpe you god and all sayntes.

Also that every of the saide auditors shal take a corporall othe before
the said chawncellour after the tenour ensuyng: Ye shall sweare that ye shal
well and truly serue the kyng in your office and truly allowaunce make
to every persone, whiche shal be accomptable before you: ye shall not take
nor receyve of poore or riche any gyft or reward in any matter or cause de-
pending or to be discussed in the same court, but such that shal be your ordi-
nary fees. And ye shal do all and eneyr other thing, which shal apperteyne
to your office, so helpe you god and all sayntes.

Also that every of the saide particuler receyours shal take a corporall
othe before the said chawncellour after the tenour ensuyng: Ye shall sweare
that ye truly shal serue the kyng in your office, & nothing concele, but truly
accepte make of all suche revenues rentes sommes of money and other pro-
fittes, wherwith ye shal be lawfully charged by reason of your office: ye shal
make no petition nor aske allowance, but such as shal be good, just, right
and resonable: and ye shal do all and eneyr thing and thynges, whiche ye
ought to do by reason of your office, accordyng to the fourme and effect of
this acte, so helpe you god and all sayntes.

Also that the saide clerke of the countrell shal take a corporall othe before
the said chawncellour after the tenour ensuyng: Ye shall sweare, that ye shal
well and truly serue the kyng in your office of clerke of the countrell of this
court and truly do and execute all and eneyr thing and thynges, whiche ye
ought to do by reason of your office, accordyng to the fourme and effect of
this acte, so helpe you god and all sayntes.

Also be it enacted by the auctorite aforesaid, that at the said monasteries
prioyses and other religious houses, whiche be dissolved, and some, or shal
come to the kynges hghnes by the acte aforesaid, and all the manours ma-
ses landes tenementes rentes services tithes pensions portions advousons
patronages and all hereditamentes apperteyning or belongyng to any the
said monasteries prioyses or other religious houses, shal be in the order, dispo-
ney and gouvernaunce of the said court, & of the officers and ministers ther-
of: and al the termes issues revenues and profits comyng and growyng of
the premises or any parte therof, shal be taken and receyved to the kynges
use by the ministers and officers of the same court, in manner and forme as
hereafter shal be declared. Excepte allowances and reserved lych and as many
of the same monasteries prioyses and houses, with all their hereditamentes
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in their full and effect, and to possessors of the body and to possession, as they
have before the making of the said act.
Also be it enacted by authority aforesaid, that all those manours, lands, tenements
and hereditaments, which the kynges highnes hath purchased or now
contain in his graces hands, or in the hands or possession of any person or persons
to his use, which hereafter his highnes shall purchase; that he retain in
the order survey & governance of the said court, in forme as is above reherced.
Also be it enacted by authority aforesaid, that all giftes, grauntes, leases,
confirmacions, leases, letters patentes, and other writings, which
shall be in the name of the kynges highnes, his heires or successors of any
estate of freehold only, or any for terme of years, or at will or at pleasure, of any
manours, lands, tenements, or other hereditaments, what so ever they be,
which be before assigned to the order survey & governance of the said court,
or of any rent charges, annuities, next advowsonne of vicarages, offices,
or wardes, to be given, letten, or graced out of the same or any part thereof, or
by any means concerning the said court, or any of the premisses committed
to the survey of the said court, to any person or persons or bodies politike
or of any office apperteyning or belonging to the said court of Augmentacion,
shall be made by the clerke of the said court, or his deputie or deputy,
and subscribed with his own propre hande and name, & sealed with the
great seals, assigned to and for the said court. And that all and every suche
giftes grauntes, leases, confirmacions, leases, letters patentes, and other
writings, which shall be made and sealed as is aforesaid, shall be good
and effectual in the lawe without shewyng a season or attournement against
the kynges highnes, his heires and successors, attourning to the tenours
purposes and effectes of such giftes grauntes, leases, confirmacions, leases,
letters patentes, or other writings so to be made. And that the said chancellour
upon every warrant to be directed to him under the kynges signe
manuell, shall have power and auctorite to cause to be made by the said
clerke of the said court, or his deputie or deputies in due order and forme
all such giftes grauntes, leases, confirmacions, leases, letters patentes, or
other writings as is aforesaid, according to the tenour and effect of every
such warrant, which to him shall be directed, and to seale all such paten-
tes and writings with the said great seal remaynyng in his custody: the
said chancellour and other officers to take for his and their fees, for the
enfealing and writing of every patente such fee or fees as is taken by the
Chancellour or other officer or officers of the kynges duchie of Lancaster,
in lyke case. And that the said Chancellour shall have power and auctorite
to take surrender of any leases or letters patentes that shall be made under
the said seal in his custody, and to make cancellacion of suche leases and
letters patentes, that shall be to him surrendered, and cause the day time and
pace of every such surrender to be registered and enrolled by the said clerke
of the said court.

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Also the sayd chancelour by the consent of the Cretour attorney and sollicitour, or two of them, without any warrant from the kinges highnes shall haue power and auctorite to make any woodlalls in or upon any the manours, landes tenementes, or hereditamentes limited to the order, rule and gouernance of the sayd court. And shall also haue full power and auctorite in the kinges name to make leases for terme of xii. yeares, and not above, by letter patentes, to be written by the sayd clerke of the same court and his deputie or deputies, & the name of the sayd clerke of the same court as is aforesayd, and to be sealed with the sayde great seale, of any of the manours, landes, tenementes or hereditamentes afoze mentioned, whiche be appoynted, or hereafter shal happen to be in the order and gouernance of the sayd court, the sayd chancelour and other officer or officers, takinge for his or theis fees therof, as is aforesayd: And that euery lease so to be made, shalbe good & effectuell in the law against the king his heires & successors, according to the tenor & effect of the same. Provided alway that upon euery such lease to be made by the said chancelour, there shall be referred to the kinges highnes & to his heires so much pecyly rent & pfit, as the lades testis or hereditamentis comprised in such leases, haue ben lette heretofore or more or after such pecyly valne as they shalbe certified by the kinges commissioners, into the said court. Provided also that no leases for terme of yeres shall be made of ante reuerzion, without the kinges special warrant for the same.

Also the sayd clerke of the said court shal enrol & register in a great booke in parchement all and euery those gites graces releifes confirmacions lasses letters patentes and all other writings which shalbe made and graunted under the said great seale: and also the daye time and yere of the farrerend of any of them, when any such surrender shal happen, whiche register or encollementes, shal remayne and be safely kepte in the sayd court, as a recorde to the kinges use, by the appoyntment of the sayd chancelour. And that also the sayd clerke shal enter in a booke the apparances of euery person that shal be called to appere before the sayd chancelour: and all acttes bectres and orders, that shalbe made by the sayd chancelour & counsaill takinge such fees for the same, & for writing and enrolling of any gites graces releifes confirmacions lasses letters patentes or other writings, as the clerke of the Duchy of Lancaster hath ben accustomed to take and haue.

Also it is enacted by auctorite aforesaid, that upon all and singular letters patentes to be made under the great seale of England, of any manours landes testis & hereditamentes, belonge or apperteyning to any of the said houses, comprised in the sayd acte, and committed to the forye of the sayd court, to any person or persons, or body politike for any estate of inheritance there shalbe alwayes referred to the kinges highnes his heires and successours a rentise by knightes service in Capite, and a pecyly rent of the x. part of the pecyly value of the landes to be comprised in euery such letters patent, according to such rate as the same manours landes and tenementes when, shal be expelled to be of pecyly valne in the same letters patentes.

Whiche thinge by clause comprised in any warrant to the contrary therof, not
withstanding. And that the sayd rent so received upon any such estate, shall
be contented and payed to the officers of the sayd court to the kinges use,
according as other revenues there shalbe payed. And that none averement
shall be made or admitted by or for the king or any other person, that the
same manours, laundes and tenementes be of more petyl value than in the
same letters patentes shall be declared.

Also the sayd chauncellour shall have power and auctorite to take reco-
gnisances of every particular receyvoir, which shall be assigned for the sayde
court, and of his societies, for the sure payment of his receytes. And also to
take recognisances in the kinges name of every fermier barlyfse reue or o-
ther accomptantes, for the true payment of receytes: and of every person or
persones, which shall be indetted to the kinges highnes for any averages
of his receite ferme or charge, as for any other cause for and concerning any
of the premisses. And that all such recognisances, of what summe so ever they
be, shall be as good and effectualle in the law, to all intentes and purposes
as recognisances taken in the kinges Chauncery, or els where, before any
Judge of Recorde.

Also it is ordeined by auctorite aforesated, that the Chauncellour of the
same court for the tyme beyng, shall have full power and auctorite to a-
warde writtes of Sire fac. under the great scale of his office, upon every such
recognisance in the sayd court to be taken, if case soo requyre, and to holde
plee upon the same, and to awarde execution to all intentes and purposes,
as is used and accustomed to be done in the kinges high court of chaun-
cery. Provided alway, that if any issue of trial, triable by the verdyte of ri-
men fortune to aryse in the plying of the same, that then in every such case
the sayd chauncellour shall and maye deliver the recorde therof, to the Ju-
stices of the kinges benche, for tyme being, and there upon the sayd court
of the kinges benche to doe every thinge for the tryall of the same issue, as
they ought to do, in case the sayd issue or trial had bene sent or delivered to
them out of the kinges court of Chauncery. And after the tryall therof in
due forme had, and the iudgement therupon given, the iustices of the kinges
benche to have power to awarde execution accordingly, and the money
therof commyng to be delivered by the same Justices or clerke of the papers
of the same court to the tresourer of the sayd court of Augmentacions to
the kinges use.

Also that the sayd Chauncellour for the tyme beyng, shall have full po-
wer and auctorite to awarde under the privie scale, appoynted to the sayd
court, in the kinges name, such process and preceptes with reasonable
peries to be therein limited, as be now commonly used in the court of the
kinges Duchie chamber of Lancaster, beyng at Westm. agaynst every
person or persones, what so ever they be, for and concerning the interestte,
right and rule of the kinges maiestie his heires and successours of us or
to any of the premisses limited to the survey and governaunce of the sayd
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 thing or concerninge the same premises or any parte of them, for and on
 the behalfe of our sayd fourrayn lordes the kinges or of of for any dette re-
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 thoritie aforesayd, that the sayd Itourney and Solicitour, shall diligently
 from time to time attende vpon the chawncellour in the sayde court, for the
 herding and ordeynge of matters and causes of the sayde court: and pro-
 cure withall diligence, that all rentes, serices, profits casualties, improv-
 mentes, and all other emolumentes of the manours landes tenementes and
 hereditamentes, beinge in the suruey and gouernaunce in the sayde court
 shall be truly and iustly payed and answered to the treasurer of the sayde
 court, to the vse of the kinges highnes, without concealing any part therof.
 And that also cause and procure procelle to be made agaynst such as shall be
 indetted to the kinges highnes, and their sureties of and for any part ther-
 of from time to time, as the tyme or case shall require.

¶ Also it is enacted by auctoritie aforesayd, that if any of the sayed officers
 appoynted for the same court, do conceale or withhold willingly any rentes,
 revenues casualties or other goodes gyuen to the kyng by the sayed actes
 that then the officer so offending, shall lose the double value of the thing so
 concealed or withholden.

¶ And it is ordeyned and enacted by auctoritie aforesayd, that euery of the
 sayed particular auditours and recepuours shall be attendaunt vpon the said
 chawncellour from time to time as causes shall require. And that euery of
 the sayed particular recepuours shall well diligently and effectually gather
 and leuey to the kinges vse, all such serices issues and profits, as shall be
 limited to his charge, and distrein for the same, if neede so require. And that
 euery of the sayd particular recepuours and auditours, so ioyned together
 by the appoyntment of the sayd chawncellour shall well and truly suruey al
 maner of reparacions needfull to be done in or vpon any of the said manours
 landes tenementes or hereditamentes limited to his charge, and appoynt
 the said reparacions to be done to the kinges most profite and least charge.
 And also to suruey the wodes limited to their charge, and what woodsales
 shall be conuenient to be made, and make certifficate of the premises from
 time to time to the sayd chawncellour.

¶ Also it is ordeyned by auctoritie aforesayd, that al the rentes, serices is-
 sues and profits of the sayd religious houses, manours, landes, tenemen-
 tes, and all other the premises, which be assigned to the ordey suruey and
 gouernaunce of the sayd court, as they shall growe due and be payable, shall
 be payed and deliuered to the handes of the sayd Treasurer by euery of
 the sayd particular recepuours to be faithfully kepte to the kinges vse: And
 that euery acquitance, which shall be subscribed with the name and hand of
 the sayd Treasurer made to any of the sayd particular recepuours, or to
 anye person or persons, whereby shall appere that the sayd treasurer shall
 haue receyued of any of the sayd particular recepuours, or other person or
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persons, any of the fermes, rentes, issues and profits in the charge of the
said particular receyvers, or for any debt that shall be due to the kinges
highnes by occasion of the premises or any parte thereof; for any taking
of money, which the said treasurer shall have power to receyve to the kinges
use by reason of his office; and all other acquitances made by any of the
said particular receyvers to any what so ever person for the receypte of any
thing touching the premises appoynted to him or their charge, shall be a
good and effectual discharge for every of the sayde particular receyvers
and other what so ever persons aforesayd, against the kinges highnes
his heires and successours for ever.

¶ Also it is ordeyned, that the said treasurer shall yearly accompte before
the sayd Chauncellour and such two or mo of the sayd auditors, as the
sayd Chauncellour shall appoynte. And that every of the sayd particular
receyvers shall yearly accompte before one of the sayd ten auditors to
be assigned to him by the sayd chauncellour. And that every of the said par
ticular receyvers for the yeare to be ended at the feast of saynt Michael
tharchangel, shall make a finall his accopt before the xx. day of Marche next
after the same feast ensuynge. And that the said treasurer shall yearly ac
compte before the last day of Aprill next after that fest day.

¶ Also it is enacted by auctorite aforesayd, that the sayd chauncellour by
the assent of the sayd treasurer, comptroller and solicitor, or two of the shall
decide to every particular receyver such portion as every of them shall re
ceyve of the sayd religious houses, manours landes tenementes and other
hereditamentes, aforesayd, and shall also propound the said religious hou
ses & other the premises in ten partes: & shall assigne to every parte thereof
one of the sayd ten auditors. And that every of the sayd ten auditors, as
they shall be assigned, shall yearly ride to the part to him to be limited before
the feast of saynt Michael tharchangel & Whithson, & take the accomptes of all
bailliffes, reeves, fermes, tenants & occupiers of the manours landes, tenementes
and other hereditamentes within the limites of his assignement.

¶ Also it is enacted by auctorite aforesayd, that the sayd auditors & par
ticular receyvers at all times, upon warning given to the by the said chauncellour
shall assemble together, as well for the ordering of the said religious
houses, manours landes, tenementes and other the premises, as of the re
ntes of the same from tyme to tyme, as the case shall requyre, as for the
viewynge and determination of the sayd accomptes to be made thereof.

¶ Also it is ordeyned by auctorite aforesayd, that at the accomptes of every
the yere, to be ended at the feast of saynt Michael tharchangel, as well
of the sayd particular receyvers, bailliffes, reeves, fermes, tenants, and
occupiers of the sayd houses, manours, landes, tenementes and other here
ditamentes aforesayd, as of the said treasurer shall be and especially ingrossed
in parchment by the sayd auditors, and delivered to the sayd chauncel
lour, which to be kept to the kinges use, either yere or before the xx. day
of Maye next ensuynge the sayd feast of saynt Michael tharchangel.
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upon persons forfaies and for the offices. And also it is enacted by the auctorite aforesaid, that the auditours and other officers and ministers of the said countie, for the tyme being shal percelle and take by the handes of the said Treasorer, particular receiueours, and al other officers and ministers accomptant, of and singular such lyke offices, rewardes profits and allowances, as well for their attendance vpon the said Chauncellour for the tyme being, and for makynge of booke declarations and values, as for other matters and causes of for or concerning the said countie: and also for the pences colles and charges of the said auditours and particular receiueours, and euery of them, percellyng their seuerall expences and lymitacions, in as large and ample maner and forme as the kynges auditours of his duchie of Lancaster and other officers and ministers there, do percelle percelle receiue take and be allowed in for and without any such lyke matters causes and busines. And that the said auditours for the tyme being and euery of them, shal haue power and auctorite to allowe the same.

Also it is ordeined by auctorite aforesaid, that al reparacions and buildynges, which shalbe done from tyme to tyme in or vpon any the premises, shalbe done and made by the order and commaundement of the said chauncellour, by the consent of the said tresorer attourney and Solicitor or two of them. And that the said Treasorer from tyme to tyme vpon his accompt shalbe allowed, as well of the fees as shalbe lymitted vnto him for exercise of his office, as of and for all such summes of money as he shal pay to any patentee or patenters of any office or franchise that shalbe graunted or grauen vnder the seale of the said countie: And also of all such summes of money as he shal pay to any other person or persons by virtue of the kynges warrant or byll assigned: And also such summes of money, as he shalbe commaunded to pay by any byll assigned and subscribed with the handes of the said chauncellour attourney and Solicitor or two of them, vpon such considerations, as shal be thought conuenient by theyr discretions. And that the said auditours, takynge the accomptes of the said Treasorer, or of any of the said particular receiueours, shal haue power and auctorite to allowe to the Treasorer the premises and euery part thereof, and also to allowe to euery particular receiueour and other accomptantes, as wel their fees & wages, and al other such summes of money, as they or any of them shal pay for in and about any buildynges or reparacions, as all other honest and reasonable petitions and allowaunces, in as large and ample maner, and after such forme faction and condiction, as the kynges auditours of his duchie of Lancaster do may do and haue be accustomed to do without any bil or warrant to be sued for the same.

Also it is enacted by auctorite aforesaid, that all maner of proces that shalbe made out of the kynges eschequer to or against any person or persons for any termes rentes issues or profits concerninge the premises or any part thereof, limited by this act, to be in the suruey order & gouernance of the said

said court and the ministers thereof, shall be clearly hold and of unconnected
Also it is ordeined & enacted by authority aforesaid, that the said chancellour and treasurer shall perely declare in the heryng byghen the state of the clere perely value of the said houses, manours, landes, tenementes, rents, pensions, poctions, tithes, and other hereditamentes, and howe whyle and to whom they be employed, and what remaineth thereof in the handes of the said Treasurer.

Provided alway and be it enacted by authority aforesaid, that all such manours, messuages, landes, tenementes, rents, reuercions, and other hereditamentes, whiche in any maner wise shall come to or be in the handes, or possession of our said souerayne lord the kyng, his heires, or successors by authority of the saide former acte of parlyamente, set lying and being as well within the countie palantine of Lancaster, as all other manours, landes, tenementes, rents, reuercions and hereditamentes, with their commodittes & appurtenances, set lying and being within this realme of England, Wales, or eyther of them, out of the said countie palantine, which be or were appertaining or belonging unto the said monasteries, or any of them, which were of the foundation of our said souerayne lord, or of any of his right noble progenitors, as duke or dukes of Lancaster, maye at the free will, lybertie and pleasure of our said souerayne lord be assigned, lymitted, or appointed unto the order surueying receite lettynge and setting, of the chancellour and officers of his saide Duchy of Lancaster, in as large and ample maner and fourme, as the said chancellour & officers of the saide Duchy haue hitherto and exercise at this present tyme of or bypon and in any manours, landes, tenementes, or hereditamentes, appertaining or in any wise belonging unto the saide Duchy: This acte or any thing therein contayned to the contrary notwithstanding.

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